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MONTE VISTA.

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 Alternate, - - Jennie Misner



Proceedings • of • the • Convention.

Tuesday—First Day—Morning Session.

THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, Department Colorado and Wyoming, opened informally in Feeny's Hall, Boulder, Colo., May 26, at 10.30 A. M., Climenta G. Howard presiding.

All present joined in singing two verses of "America," led by Mary J. Oaks.

In the absence of Department Chaplain, Emily Meredith filled vacancy.

The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison.

President appointed Mrs. Feeny Conductor, and Mrs. Weisenhorn Guard.

M. Berwick Anderson, of W. R. C. No. 27, gave address as follows:

ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

Mrs. President and Outside Delegates:

To me this is one of the greatest pleasures and proudest moments of my life, to give you welcome to our beautiful city.

We greet you with sisterly love. We welcome you for your renewed loyalty and devotion to our worn-out comrades, their widows and orphans.

Year by year our comrades draw nearer to us in the bonds of fraternity, inviting us to share with them the privileges, duties and honors of their lot at their camp-fires and festivals, as well as at the dying bed of the veteran. They give us a welcome place.

Too well we realize the rapid falling off of the old soldiers, and know that in the coming years there will be more and more of this labor of love to perform.

Let loyal peace and harmony be our watchword, and these conditions gained, fraternity becomes a reality, and charity the blessed result.

A great influence for good lies in our hands, to mold the minds of the young, to exemplify by our loyalty and devotion the just claims of the old soldier.

May this convention be one long to be remembered for its harmony and wise deliberations, and may you with us be ever guided by our grand motto, "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

And again in behalf of our city and Nathaniel Lyon Relief Corps No. 27, we welcome you. Your presence will inspire in us renewed loyalty.

In all our work may we be guided by Him who sees the end from the beginning, and may He abundantly bless and prosper all the work of the Woman's Relief Corps throughout our beloved land.

Mrs. Kate C. Kennedy, of Denver, the first president of the Relief Corps for this department, followed with

THE RESPONSE.

DEAR FRIENDS: In attempting to reply to the excellent address of Mrs. Berwick Anderson to which you have listened with so much pleasure, I feel that I have accepted a task, the performance of which I will be unable to fulfil. Allow me on behalf of the members of the Eighth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, Department of Colorado and

Wyoming, to say that we heartily appreciate the kind words which have been said, and that we know that we shall enjoy our visit among you, and will be better for having been here.

I can assure you that it is a great pleasure for us to be here in your beautiful city, situated in the foothills of our mountains, where we can breathe the ozone of life fresh from the hand of the Creator, and drink the sparkling water fresh from the living fountains, and view the hillside over whose brow the ever-changing shadows come and go so phantom-like from the ethereal world, all making a precious gem in memory's casket, and thus welcome a beautiful memorial. A wag has said that plenty of water and good society would turn hades into paradise. You are to be congratulated on the fact that you possess these two ingredients to a delightful degree. As the family is the foundation of good citizenship, you are to be congratulated upon your homes. They are filled with the comforts of life and are made more attractive than the club-rooms or the saloons.

The city, county, state or nation that does not look well to its homes and by all the means in their power throw every protection possible, by precept, by education and, as far as in their power may lie, remove temptation out of the way of the rising generation, are untrue to their stewardship. I think I speak truly when I say that no one in this audience has such a peculiar feeling of pleasure as I have at this moment. It has been my privilege to have been the first president of the department, and no one more than myself has known the anxious hours and sleepless nights which this order has passed. Like all other organizations of this character it has had its clouds as well as its sunshine, but we feel a glow of pride in looking over the grand union of forces and the work accomplished by our society today. It is the most complete organization among women. It is systematically and carefully managed. It is a true kindergarten of union sentiment, fraternity, charity and loyalty, teaching the youth of our state and nation by object lessons, educating them in the full meaning of loyalty and all that it cost and the importance of the scriptural injunction, "The poor ye have always with you," and also to accomplish great results, association and united action are necessary.

We have assembled here in your midst for the purpose of counseling together as to the best means of strengthening our noble order, therefore it behooves us all to act with dignity and decorum, in order that our proceedings and doings may accomplish the best results, remembering that it is as true today as it was in the days of old that a gracious woman retaineth honor. Let me express the hope that every woman here will feel a personal obligation which will cause her to act with preferment for all her sisters, thus strengthening our social hands and cementing us into a stronger union in order that our duties may be more successfully performed, and that in the end we may hear the welcome plaudit, "Well done good and faithful servant," and my final prayer is, may God guide and direct us in all our deliberations.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
Greeley, Colo., April 20, 1892. }

Members of the Eighth Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

It gives me most genuine pleasure to meet you at the close of this year's work. Twelve months ago you placed for me the highest seat in this Department, and gave into my keeping a most sacred trust. The patient, loyal workers preceding me had securely laid the foundation of the Department structure, and built upon it strong and well, and its charge, with all the attending responsibilities, was assumed with much hesitancy. In guarding its interests, the work has been searched in all its details. You have the assurance that every step of the way has been taken with care, and a desire for perfect justice to all. We have come together to review this work, to exchange congratulations upon its successes, and to note all that may appear unwise in its details; thus shall we be enabled to consider more judiciously all questions submitted for the coming year, and to adopt only such measures as seem best for the progress of our Order. Let us devote the hours to earnest, unselfish and loving service to this end.

WORK OF THE YEAR.

Much interest and enthusiasm has been shown throughout the year by a majority of the Corps. I have often been touched by the amount and character of the relief given to our failing veterans. In every Corps *that* has been the first consideration—relief to destitute Union soldiers—which is the key-note of our organization. When a new Corps has established a relief fund, and has an efficient relief committee, with power to draw on that fund to a stated amount to cover cases of emergency, and reports monthly to the Corps through its chairman, we pronounce that Corps a success. It is very necessary for officers to properly understand and promptly send in correct quarterly reports, and every member who is honored by being chosen President of the Corps, should not accept the honor unless she is certain that she can correct the reports of her Secretary and Treasurer, which all can learn to do with faithful study.

The work which the Seventh Convention indicated, has been performed according to my understanding of the intent of that body. I have devoted nearly all my time and much anxious thought to its consummation.

DEPARTMENT CONDITION AND GROWTH.

At the close of the last administration thirty-six Corps were placed upon the Department roster. Of these, Spanish Peaks Corps No. 30 never has been heard from, although letters have been sent to both Corps and Post, the latter being in suspension.

Early in the year J. C. Mower Corps, of Breckenridge, disbanded, and sent their Corps supplies to headquarters with the suggestion that they might reorganize. I am sorry to report the disbandment of E. D. Baker Corps of Idaho Springs, and W. S. Hancock of Glenwood Springs. The latter wished to yield the charter to Department Inspector Rosella A. Goodrich, but she encouraged them to go on with the work to the end of the year. The removal of active members, and other disheartening circumstances, compelled them to take the step. Many of the members of these corps have taken transfer cards, and are still in the Order. Notwithstanding these losses, the department records show a steady growth. Three corps have been organized,

which have already developed marked ability and strength. These are located at Monte Vista, Littleton and Holyoke. Application blanks have been sent to other points, one for instituting a corps at Montrose. Post Commander, W. W. Ferguson, of Lake City, Hinsdale county, also wished an application sent him, and I hope for the completion of organizations at all these points in the near future. Platteville, also, is a promising field, with Post and Sons of Veterans. The growth of the Order has not been rapid during the year, but strong and healthful. We have 1220 members in good standing, which will give us two delegates besides D. at L. to National Convention. There has been a gradual strengthening of older corps. I cannot approve of organizing very small corps, unless there is sufficient population to increase the membership at once. If a small corps is not strengthened soon after organization, there is danger of its lapsing. In our large corps, members are not able to attend every meeting, and when this occurs in a very small corps, disaster is almost sure to follow.

THE TEMPORARY SOLDIERS' HOME AT GOLDEN.

In accordance with the decision of the Seventh Convention at Manitou, it became the first duty of the year to close the temporary Home at Golden. The Board of Managers were therefore instructed to do so, to settle all accounts and place the invalid inmates in the care of John A. Lennon, President of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Commission.

Frances I. Klock, the Chairman of the Board, personally superintended this work. To this careful, conscientious officer, upon whose sympathy and council the old veterans had learned to depend, much credit is due for the success of this home. T. H. Dodd Corps of Golden, deserves great credit for solving the problem regarding a temporary Home. They gave the use of their Cottage, and other privileges, and had a general oversight of its interests, with Mary A. Eldredge, of this corps, and Junior Vice President of Department, to render valuable assistance. This Home was maintained for nearly two years by the joint exertions of the W. R. C. and Grand Army of Colorado and Wyoming. It was formally opened by Augusta B. Henderson, Department President, who with former presidents had labored

faithfully for such a Home for our needy veterans, in the absence of a permanent Home in Colorado. It did its work. When Colorado appropriated money for a Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, and proceeded to build the hospital, there was no money to furnish it. The supplies, which were no longer needed for the temporary Home, were donated by vote of the Department Council of W. R. C., to the Home at Monte Vista. There was still need for the continued exertions of the W. R. C. and G. A. R., to furnish the new hospital. A statement was made by John A. Lennon, that forty iron cots, with their mattresses, pillows and blankets, sheets, pillow-slips; also forty small bureaus, and one hundred chairs, would be needed by October 1st, 1891. Estimated value of one cot and furnishings, \$25.00.

On July 18th, I sent out Circular No. 3, asking corps to do what they could. Responses came from twenty-seven corps, out of thirty-five, and the most of them with \$25.00 each. McPherson Corps of Longmont, sent \$30.00, the extra five to be given to some corps not able to send \$25.00. E. V. Sumner of Silver Cliff sent \$100.00, enough to pay for four cots. Thus we have been enabled to send in all, \$652.50 to the Treasurer of Home Commission. Names of corps donating have all been printed in General Orders except Pike's Peak at Manitou, sent since. E. D. Baker of Idaho Springs should be accredited with the \$12.00 accredited to W. S. Hancock of Glenwood Springs in last General Order.

It should be a satisfaction and happiness to us also, that this work has apparently been fully appreciated. The Home was formally opened on the 28th of October. The ceremonies were of an interesting character. The Department President, Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, Inspector, and other representatives of our Order, were present by special invitation of the President of Home Commission. Thirty-five special invitations were sent to W. R. C., but owing to the great distance, most of the invitations could not be accepted.

A neat card, framed in white wood, is to hang over each cot, with the number and location of the corps contributing it. In further proof of the appreciation of the services of

the W. R. C., the following letter will testify, from Adjutant Andrew Coats, of the Home :

MONTE VISTA, November 23rd, 1891.

MRS. CLIMENA G. HOWARD,
President of the Woman's Relief Corps,
Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

DEAR MADAM :—

The Board of Commissioners at their last meeting detailed me to give expression to their appreciation of the sympathy and generous kindness shown by the Woman's Relief Corps towards this Home. First let me thank you for the very useful and acceptable donation of bed-clothing, etc., sent from the late Home at Golden, also for the interest shown at the formal opening of the Home by the presence of the Department President and other worthy and prominent members of your Order, and last, but certainly not least, let me gratefully acknowledge the crowning act of your generosity in subscribing and donating to this Home the handsome sum of five hundred dollars (\$500.00). Perhaps it may not be generally known that while the representatives of the state have patriotically voted funds for the building of this Home, the disbursing officer of the state claims that none of the money can, legally, be expended for the support or maintenance of the inmates. If the rest of the community was of that opinion, we would have the buildings for a Home but there would be no Home. The poor old veterans might camp out in the valley and either freeze or starve to death while waiting for the meeting of the next Legislature. But, thanks to the Woman's Relief Corps, the Honorable Board of Commissioners, and to that faithful old soldier Colonel John A. Lennon, Commandant of the Home; and thanks to the patriotic men and women throughout the state, the Home was opened to receive inmates even before it was finished by the workmen, and almost each day since it was opened, some poor old sick and destitute soldier or sailor has found a haven of refuge in this hospital, where he can leave behind him hunger, want and the cold pity of unsympathetic charity, and enter into the enjoyment of clean, comfortable

beds, good, wholesome, palatable food, warm clothing, and the blessings of a rational and well ordered Home.

By this statement you will readily see how useful your generous donation has been. Again tendering to the Woman's Relief Corps the earnest and heartfelt gratitude of the Board of Commissioners, to which I add the thanks of the Commander, the inmates, and those of

Yours respectfully,

ANDREW COATS, *Adjutant.*

The money sent by the Wyoming corps has been returned, excepting that sent by John Schuler Corps of Sheridan, (\$10.00) which is held for their instructions.

It was decided by the Commissioners of S. and S. Home that Wyoming veterans could not be received into the Colorado Home upon the same conditions that Colorado soldiers were, hence it was the decision of the Department Council to return the money donated by the Wyoming corps, which they will use for the relief of their own veterans. Wyoming hopes for a National Soldiers' Home.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

"Colorado and Wyoming Department" was fairly represented at the National Convention at Detroit, six of the eleven representatives being present, and attending the sessions. Every effort possible had been made by Detroit, to make the week one of profit to the grand Orders visiting it, with every spare moment crowded with delightful recreation, which was enjoyed to the utmost—truly a red-letter week in the busy life of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Sue A. Pike Sanders, National President, has honored this Department with the following appointments:

Frances P. Hale, of Cheyenne, as Assistant National Inspector; M. Berwick Anderson, of Boulder, and Sallie J. Essington, Pueblo, National Aides.

Our trip to Detroit was made on the special train of the Grand Army, by the invitation of Department Commander, George W. Cook, whose uniform courtesy, together with that of his staff, rendered this long trip in sultry August one of comparative comfort and much pleasure. Commander Cook was accompanied by his famous Zouave Drum and

Fife Corps, thirty bright boys dressed in the national colors, whose presence gave a zest to the trip. At several stations these boys entertained us and the assembled throng with their stirring music and splendid military tactics, which elicited much applause. A joint Sunday morning service was held on the train, with the boys standing along the aisle of the Woman's Relief Corps car, lending their young, strong voices in

"My country! 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty."

THE NATIONAL W. R. C. HOME.

This Home, at Madison, Ohio, was reported at the Detroit Convention to be in a very healthy and prosperous condition. The money, amounting to \$29.52, donated by personal contribution of members of this department, goes to purchase a few more acres of land to afford sufficient space about the buildings. This property, owned by the W. R. C. of this united country, was designed for a comfortable Home for needy army nurses, soldiers' destitute wives, widows and mothers, from all over our land. Aged veterans, with their wives, are also received. It is an institution in which we should take just pride and interest, and members of our Order in Colorado and Wyoming, now, more than ever before, will feel a special concern in its continued success and adornment.

In the National Journal of Detroit Convention is a very full and interesting account of this beautiful Home, by Annic Wittenmeyer, Chairman, and Pluma S. Cowles, Secretary of the Board of Directors.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The correspondence has required much time and oftentimes sleepless nights, including, as it has, the immediate decision of some question which had a vital interest in the corps from which it emanated. I have always made it a rule to answer at once, and as fully as possible, with strict adherence to rules of the Order. I have written over four hundred letters and postals, but have kept no account of the number of decisions given. Many of these letters have not been official, but required and deserved answer. A careful and thorough study of the Red Book, must save much corres-

pondence in the future, as every Corps President giving proper time and thought to its study, will be enabled to decide nearly all questions for her own corps. I have received many letters containing gracious words of hope and good feeling, which have cheered me.

GENERAL ORDER AND LETTER FILES.

I have prepared and issued eight general orders, and seven circular letters, for the information of corps. . Could I be certain that every Corps President, Secretary and Treasurer had spent as much time in reading and carefully following the instructions contained in one of these, as it has taken me to prepare it, I should feel amply rewarded for my pains taken in this part of my work. The printing of general orders is expensive to the Department. The Department Treasurer, May S. Hotchkiss, has very generously printed \$10.00 worth in her own home, free.

Young corps should remember that the general orders are the frame-work upon which they are to build, and Presidents should read each order when received, until it is thoroughly understood; then hand it to the Secretary that she may read it before the next meeting, and be prepared to read it well in a strong, clear voice that will penetrate the whole corps room. The Secretary must call the President's attention to such articles as require action by the corps in the order of the "new business." The second reading of the order fixes the instruction upon the minds of members, and informs those members who were absent at the first reading. A duty that is most generally neglected is the proper filing of official letters. "The Secretary shall keep a letter file, in which shall be preserved all official correspondence," is one of the duties given in "Rules and Regulations." According to these rules we are not instructed to keep other correspondence, but it is the duty of the Secretary to file official letters. With these letters filed in the order of receiving them, other correspondence could be soon burned. The accumulation of matter, year after year, is a great annoyance at Corps or Department Headquarters. It fills valuable space and the Department has the expense of moving it every year. I therefore recommend to this Con-

vention, that the incoming president appoint a committee to look over the accumulation of letters, reports and printed matter and burn that which is useless to the Department.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Each recurring year, the ceremonies of this national day grow more impressive. The Woman's Relief Corps lend their willing aid in preparing garlands to deck the ever-increasing mounds that cover all that was mortal of our country's defenders. Children gather on this day to carry the silent messages of love to the churchyard. Youths and maidens modify the springing step to the dead march, and all together the nation's mourners spend one day in memory of brave deeds by brave men.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

This part of our work requires wise and judicious management. The members of our committee, Mary J. Handyside, Mary A. Condit and Lida E. Fitch, have proved that they possess these requirements. Ten per cent. of our per capita tax has gone into the relief fund, in which fund there were \$3.16 at the beginning of the year. Ten dollars were sent from the Glenwood Springs Corps when it disbanded. With this amount, the committee have administered to the needs of soldiers' families, with great discrimination.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

When I entered the Department work, I resolved to visit every corps if possible, little realizing the multitude of cares that this great Department holds for its President. Looking back over the year, I most heartily endorse the suggestion of past National President, Charity Rusk Craig, "that instructions be written as to the duties of Department officers, that they may learn, with as little delay as possible, what is expected of them when installed." I have had the pleasure of visiting twenty corps, thirteen of these I inspected to save expense to Department, having received reduced rates on the U. P. R. R. and on the B. & M. and R. G. In

visiting these corps, I traveled 4,046 miles. I made a special effort to visit Sundance and Sheridan in northern Wyoming, as recommended by last Convention. In reaching Sundance and returning, I traveled 1,024 miles, 536 being by slow freight train and eighty by stage. This required nearly a week's time. I found a corps of eleven members, doing splendid relief work, but needing proper instruction in corps work. Sheridan, two hundred miles farther, required an all night's ride in a stage coach over a mountain road. This trip I could not take so late in the season, but was told that the railroad would reach this point by next June. I appointed Mrs. Harriet Settle of Sundance, as Assistant Inspector to visit the corps, but a severe attack of la grippe prevented her from going. This is the only corps that has not been inspected during the year. A letter from past President, who lives ten miles from Sheridan, assures me that the snow had been so deep that she had been unable to attend corps meetings and she feared for the life of the corps. Members are scattered and few in numbers. This trip to Sundance, including meals, was made at a cost of \$26.00, the usual railroad fare being \$50.00. I have always been received with courtesy, and have enjoyed meeting the earnest, devoted women which are found in every corps without exception. Time will not permit my dwelling on this, the pleasantest work of the year. The invitation received to be present at various entertainments, camp-fires and kettle-drums, that could not be accepted, have been a real trial to me. While appreciating the kindness prompting these invitations, the immediate duties of the office, and slight illnesses have prevented me. Delightful memories remain of the genuine hospitality, extended to me in my three months—broken months of visiting—among the corps. To past Commander George Ady, and other officials of the U. P. R. R., to Mr. Holdredge of the B. & M., and to President Andrews of the Rio Grande, through Major Lennon, this Department is greatly indebted for reduced rates on their roads.

FINANCES.

The report of Department Treasurer, will give a clear and concise account of the condition of our finances. In all

funds we have \$396.15, or nearly \$400.00. The several funds have balances as follows.

The general fund,	-	-	\$352.24
Department Relief fund,	-	-	33.91
Home fund,	-	-	10.00

\$396.15

Amount expended for relief during year - \$3,139.21

The expenses incurred during the past year are greater than those of the previous year. The expense of printing the journal of Seventh Convention, was \$149.78, including the postage required in sending them out. This expense the Department did not have the year before. The reduction of the per capita tax from 20 to 15 cents, decreased our revenue, but taking all these things into consideration, the Department must be considered in very healthful condition, financially as well as numerically.

SONS OF VETERANS.

The Order of Sons of Veterans has rapidly increased during the last year. As the ranks of their patriotic fathers grow thinner, these sons standing shoulder to shoulder, fall in line with the same in-born love that sent their fathers to save the flag, and when the last hero shall have fallen, the grand mantle of patriotism will be fully transferred to their strong, young shoulders, and they will ever sustain that dear old flag, as a sacred heritage from their sires.

DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS.

At Ninth National Convention at Detroit, this resolution, offered by Kate B. Sherwood, was carried:

"That we rejoice in the rapid organization of Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans and bid them God speed."

There is but one Tent of Daughters of Veterans in Colorado and this was organized last summer at Greeley, under the name of "Julia Dent-Grant." Department Secretary Josephine A. Cheeseman was instrumental in this organization. Objects of Order—to perpetuate the memories of our fathers and brothers—their loyalty to the Union and their

unselfish sacrifices for the perpetuity of the same. Their National headquarters being in Massillon, Ohio.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

To my associate officers, I feel deeply grateful for the unwavering support given this administration. They have cheerfully aided in every undertaking, showing a zeal only equaled by their executive ability. Officers' reports to national headquarters have never been returned but were pronounced "correct, and manuals of neatness."

I feel sure that the incoming President and other officers, will be sustained by a body of women that have been so loyal. In conclusion I wish you to know how gratefully I remember your generous confidence in me, when you elected me to fill this chair. Through all the anxious cares and perplexities of the past year, this knowledge of your appreciation has cheered and strengthened me for every new duty.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

The following are in addition to recommendation already made:

1. That the incoming President be furnished with a copy of the decisions of Eighth Convention, within fifteen days after its adjournment.
2. That the rate of representation to Department convention remain one to every twenty members, and one for the fraction over one-half.
3. That the per capita tax remain 15 cents.
4. That corps meet at least twice a month.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS:

LAURA S. DODGE, *Chairman*,
 FANNIE D. HARDIN,
 JENNIE MISNER,
 SUSIE J. SEARL,
 ELNORA BAKER.

Convention formally opened 11:30 A. M. Reporter escorted to the outer door with applause. Roll call and

seating of delegates, to which 64 responded. Conductors reported all present members of the Order. President appointed the following named ladies as a

COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS:

SARAH E. CALVERT,
MARY CONDIT,
JANETTE TODD.

COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL GREETINGS:

MARY E. BARTLETT,
OLIVE HOGLE.

Adjournment declared until 1:30 P. M.



Tuesday—First Day—Afternoon Session.

Assemblage met at 1:30, President in the chair; after singing one verse "Nearer My God to Thee," Caroline Parker, M. D. led in repeating Lord's Prayer, prefaced by a few appropriate remarks. Minutes of morning session read and accepted.

Minutes of first, second, third and fourth Council meetings read and respectively accepted. Seventy-eight responded to roll call. Moved by Mrs. Coe, seconded by Mrs. Kelsey, that salute during Convention be not omitted. After much discussion the motion carried.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

JOSEPHINE CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

MADAM:

In accordance with the Rules and Regulations, I submit the following report:

The honor of filling the office of Senior Vice President was conferred upon me by the members of the Seventh Annual Convention held at Manitou, April 28, 1891. This honor has been duly appreciated, and I have kept in view

my duty to "aid and assist" in all things pertaining to the interests "of our veteran soldiers and their dependent ones."

Our worthy Department President has so ably filled her position and has devoted her time so fully to Department work, that she has left but little to be done by her subordinate officers. In June, 1891, I was directed by the Department President to go to Loveland and examine the condition of Burnside Corps No. 10. I found that the corps had injudiciously expended its funds, and its members becoming discouraged had neglected to pay dues, until nearly all were delinquent, several of the most energetic had moved from town, and the remaining members had decided to submit to the inevitable.

In company with the Department President and other members of the delegation I attended the National Convention, held at Detroit, Aug 5th.

The journey to the "City of the Straits" was a pleasant one; and our sojourn there was both profitable and pleasant.

These National Conventions are great schools for such women as go there with a view to gaining instruction and information in regard to the "Work of our Order."

The Ninth Session of the National Convention opened in the church of "Our Father" at 10.30 A. M. Wednesday, August 5th, and closed at 1.00 P. M. the following Saturday, making nearly four days of almost continuous session.

As I looked upon this earnest, energetic body of delegates, representing over one hundred thousand of the loyal women of this great nation, all united by one common tie and having the same aims and working to the same end, I could but marvel at the wondrous growth of our Order since its first organization in the capital of our own state, with only forty-two members, just eight years before. It afforded me great pleasure to renew my acquaintance with several among the members whom I had not met since the organization of the First National Convention.

An invitation from the Department President, to accompany her to Monte Vista on the occasion of the opening of the Soldiers' Home, was most cheerfully accepted. The ceremonies of the opening were exceedingly interesting and the occasion a memorable one. We were most agreeably

disappointed in the elegance of the building and the natural beauty of its surroundings.

A relief corps was organized at Monte Vista during our stay, auxiliary to Joe Hooker Post No. 43, and being well officered, bids fair to be of great benefit and assistance to the old soldiers who occupy the Home. I take this opportunity of extending my hearty thanks to Mrs. Sickles, President of Joe Hooker Corps, for courtesies received.

I accompanied Mrs. Goodrich, Department Inspector, on her official visit to Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, of Boulder. This corps needs no encomiums from my pen, its work before this convention will speak for itself. I also accompanied this corps unofficially on a visit to Meade Corps No. 6 of Denver. This visit was a truly enjoyable one, and I cannot too highly commend the practice of these fraternal meetings of neighboring corps, whereby kindly feelings, friendly emulation and accuracy of ritualistic work are fostered and encouraged.

To the Department officers, and members of the Order with whom I have held such pleasant relations, I extend my thanks for courtesies received.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

MARY L. CARR,

Senior Vice President.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT:

ELLA L. C. DWINELL, *Chairman,*

LORETTA MUMMAH,

JOSIE L. WOODBURY,

LOU FAUST,

NETTIE BARKER.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary, Woman's Relief Corps.

MADAM:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I submit the following report:

The honor so unexpectedly conferred upon me one year ago by this Convention will always be looked back upon

with pleasure and gratitude, and I feel that the little I have accomplished for the Department during the year is but a poor return for that honor.

About the middle of July, 1891, I received word from our Department President requesting me to go to Trinidad and investigate the condition of E. R. Canby Corps, as they reported through their President that they had disbanded and the members in good standing desired transfer cards. Accordingly on August 6th I left Salida for Trinidad, arriving there about half past seven that evening. I proceeded to the hotel and after a good night's rest started out to find the president of the corps, which I did without much trouble. That lady devoted the morning to going around with me among the different corps ladies.

After a thorough investigation of the matter which had caused the disbanding of the corps (the full particulars of which I laid before your Department President) I felt that it would be useless for them to try to continue as an organization. I then called the attention of the President to Article 1st, Section 5 of Rules and Regulations, where we are instructed what course to pursue when a corps is desirous of disbanding. The President acknowledged that she had neglected her *duty* and her *obligation* in not sending the charter and corps supplies to Headquarters, which she then promised to do at once; but for some reason they have never been received by the Department. I have written to the President three times in regard to it, but up to date have received no answer to my letters. One letter I sent to our Department President for her approval and for her to forward from Greeley. The expense of my trip to and from Trinidad, it being a distance of one hundred and ninety miles from Salida, was \$21.55, which sum I received from the Department Treasurer.

On October 30th, 1891, I enjoyed the privilege of being one of the four Department officers who were present at the formal opening of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, Colorado, and it was indeed a day long to be remembered by all present. Through the courtesy of Major Lennon we were escorted through the Home from "attic to cellar;" and to the needy veteran who is at last nearing the "dark river," or to him who by disease has been

incapacitated from doing for himself, the Home must indeed seem a "haven of rest," and I feel it is the duty of every loyal woman in our land, whether they are members of our Order or not, to give their assistance towards maintaining a good Home for our veteran soldiers.

Another pleasant feature of our visit to Monte Vista was the organization of Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, said corps being instituted and its officers installed by our Department President, who was assisted in her work by the Senior and Junior Vice Presidents and Miss Cora Young, of W. T. Sherman Corps of Evans, Colorado.

To Dr. Fulton and his wife, I feel greatly indebted for their kindness during my short stay in Monte Vista. Although entire strangers they could not have been more cordial to an old and valued friend.

Although I have done so little during my term of office I have always felt ready and willing to do all that I could. Again thanking the Convention for the honor bestowed upon me, I most respectfully submit this report in Faith, Charity and Love.

LIZZIE C. SMITH,
*Junior Vice President,
Department of Colorado and Wyoming.*

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

ROSELLA A. GOODRICH, *Chairman*,
EMMA SMIDLE,
LYDIA C. YOUNG,
EMMA PRENTISS,
ELLA D. LOW.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY.

Climena G. Howard, Department President, Officers and Members of Eighth Annual Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

In compliance with the rules of our Order I have the honor to submit to you a report of work in the office of the Secretary, the membership and condition of our organization during the past year.

When you entered upon your duties April 30, 1891, there were in the department thirty-five Corps, with a membership of 1,096 in good standing and three Corps suspended.

Returns for First Quarter, 1891.

GAIN.			LOSS.		
Initiations,	-	100	Honorable Discharge,	-	4
Transfers,	-	5	Transfers,	-	14
Reinstatement,	-	12	Suspension,	-	66
			Delinquent Reports,	-	73
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Total,	-	117	Total,	-	157

Membership, 1,056.

Returns for Second Quarter.

GAIN.			LOSS.		
Initiations,	-	52	Death,	-	1
Transfers,	-	6	Honorable Discharge	-	28
Reinstatement,	-	19	Transfers,	-	14
Delinquent Reports,	-	50	Suspension,	-	42
			Delinquent Reports,	-	55
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Total,	-	127	Total,	-	140

Membership, 1,043.

Returns for Third Quarter.

GAIN.			LOSS.		
Initiations,	-	113	Death,	-	3
Transfers,	-	5	Honorable Discharge,	-	7
Reinstatement,	-	30	Transfers,	-	12
Delinquent Reports,	-	76	Suspension,	-	61
			Delinquent Reports,	-	25
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Total	-	224	Total,	-	108

Membership, 1,159, which entitles this Department to an increase of representation at Tenth National Convention, viz.: one delegate-at-large and two delegates.

Returns for Fourth Quarter.

GAIN.			LOSS.		
Initiation,	-	95	Death,	-	3
Transfers,	-	7	Honorable Discharge,	-	19
Reinstatement,	-	22	Transfers,	-	31
Delinquent Reports,	-	25	Suspension,	-	35
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Total,	-	149	Total,	-	88

Membership, 1,220. Net gain for the year, 124.

Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, Boulder, reports largest increase by initiation, viz., 20.

DELINQUENT CORPS.

First Quarter.

Chester A. Arthur No. 33, Sundance, Wyo.
 Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta, Colo.
 Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou Springs.
 George Washington No. 42, Denver.

Second Quarter.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, Colo.
 John Schuler No. 28, Sheridan, Wyo.
 Chester A. Arthur No. 33, Sundance, Wyo.
 Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta, Colo.
 Edwin M. Stanton No. 37, Salida.

Third Quarter.

John Schuler No. 28, Sheridan, Wyo.
 Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, Colo.

Fourth Quarter.

John Schuler No. 28, Sheridan, Wyo.

RELIEF—CASH.

First quarter, 1891,	-	\$385 00
Second quarter, 1891,	-	494 13
Third quarter, 1891,	-	632 53
Fourth quarter, 1892,	-	404 45

Total, - - \$1,916 11

The above includes donations to "Soldiers' Home."

RELIEF—OTHER THAN MONEY.

First quarter, 1891,	-	-	\$300 50
Second quarter, 1891,	-	-	202 10
Third quarter, 1891,	-	-	313 20
Fourth quarter, 1892,	-	-	357 30
Total,	-	-	\$1,173 10

NUMBER OF MEMBERS AND FAMILIES ASSISTED.

First quarter, 1891,	-	-	26
Second quarter, 1891,	-	-	18
Third quarter, 1891,	-	-	36
Fourth quarter, 1892,	-	-	43
Total,	-	-	123

NUMBER OF SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES ASSISTED.

First quarter, 1891,	-	-	114
Second quarter, 1891,	-	-	76
Third quarter, 1891,	-	-	115
Fourth quarter, 1892,	-	-	113
Total,	-	-	418

Members of Woman's Relief Corps No. 12, of Gunnison, Colo., deserve special mention for successful efforts in improving the "God's acre" devoted to veterans in their town. They raised one hundred dollars by subscription, and expended the same in planting trees and otherwise beautifying the sacred spot.

No. 14 Veteran, of Denver, has expended the largest amount for relief during the year—cash, \$239.35; other than money, \$361.45.

E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff, contributed greatest sum for Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, viz.: \$100. This Corps deserves much credit for the generous gift, as it has a comparatively small membership.

ROLL OF HONOR—FIRST QUARTER.

Name of Corps.	No.	Name of Corps.	No.
W. T. Sherman, -	24	Nathaniel Lyon, -	27
J. A. Mower, -	3	E. D. Baker, -	22

<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>
Akron, - - -	36	Colorado City, - - -	38
M. M. Crocker, - - -	40	John Schuler, - - -	28
Greenwood, - - -	18	Geo. G. Meade, - - -	6
Lamar, - - -	31	W. S. Hancock, - - -	23
McPherson, - - -	32	Thornburg, - - -	25
James A. Garfield, - - -	8	E. M. Stanton, - - -	37
T. H. Dodd, - - -	5	Upton, - - -	2
Grand Junction, - - -	17	Gunnison, - - -	12
Geo. H. Thomas, - - -	26	Veteran, - - -	14
George Crook, - - -	35	Farragut, - - -	1
Battle Mountain, - - -	29	Phil Sheridan, - - -	41
U. S. Grant, - - -	15		
Total, - - -	-	- - -	27

ROLL OF HONOR—SECOND QUARTER.

<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>
McPherson, - - -	32	Greenwood, - - -	18
Akron, - - -	36	Battle Mountain, - - -	29
Colorado City, - - -	38	M. M. Crocker, - - -	40
W. S. Hancock, - - -	23	Winfield Scott, - - -	19
James A. Garfield, - - -	8	Grand Junction, - - -	17
Phil Sheridan, - - -	41	George Crook, - - -	35
W. T. Sherman, - - -	21	T. H. Dodd, - - -	5
Geo. H. Thomas, - - -	26	E. D. Baker, - - -	22
Colorado Springs, - - -	4	Nathaniel Lyon - - -	27
U. S. Grant, - - -	15		
Total, - - -	-	- - -	19

ROLL OF HONOR—THIRD QUARTER.

<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>
McPherson, - - -	32	George Crook, - - -	35
Akron, - - -	36	James A. Garfield - - -	8
Geo. H. Thomas, - - -	26	George Washington, - - -	42
Custer, - - -	20	Colorado City, - - -	38
Nathaniel Lyon, - - -	27	Thornburg, - - -	25
Pike's Peak, - - -	39	Veteran, - - -	14
Battle Mountain, - - -	29	Geo. G. Meade, - - -	6
Gunnison, - - -	12	M. M. Crocker, - - -	40
Greenwood, - - -	18	Joe Hooker, - - -	43
W. T. Sherman, - - -	24	Colorado Springs, - - -	4
U. S. Grant, - - -	15		
Total, - - -	-	- - -	21

ROLL OF HONOR—FOURTH QUARTER.

<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>
McPherson, - - -	32	Gunnison, - - -	12
U. S. Grant, - - -	15	James A. Garfield, -	8
Nathaniel Lyon, - -	27	John C. Fremont, -	45
Akron, - - -	36	Custer, - - -	20
Battle Mountain, - -	29	Joe Hooker, - - -	43
Pike's Peak, - - -	39	George Crook, - - -	35
Greenwood, - - -	18	Kilpatrick, - - -	34
Total, - - -	-	- - -	14

ROLL OF HONOR FOR FOUR QUARTERS.

<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Name of Corps.</i>	<i>No.</i>
McPherson, - - -	32	Battle Mountain, - -	22
Akron, - - -	36	Greenwood, - - -	19
Geo. H. Thomas, - -	26	Gunnison, - - -	18
James A. Garfield, -	8	George Crook, - - -	35
U. S. Grant, - - -	15	- - -	-
Total, - - -	-	- - -	9

DISBANDED CORPS.

First Quarter—Spanish Peaks No. 30, Powell, Colo.

Second Quarter—J. A. Mower No. 3, Breckenridge, Colo.

Fourth Quarter—E. D. Baker No. 22, Idaho Springs, Colo.

Fourth Quarter—W. S. Hancock No. 23, Glenwood Springs, Colo.

E. R. Canby No. 21, of Trinidad, and A. E. Burnside No. 10, of Loveland, were virtually disbanded during last year, but sufficient time had not elapsed between requests for transfers and Seventh Annual Convention, for the same to be granted.

CORPS ORGANIZED.

Third Quarter—Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista, Colo.

Third Quarter—Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, Colo.

Third Quarter—John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton.

Notwithstanding the thorough manner in which those going before have urged the necessity of corps officers forwarding correct reports to Headquarters, my experience has been but a repetition.

Incorrect reports increase bills for postage and stationery, besides wasting valuable time. I feel sure if corps officers could realize that through them the Department gains its reputation for promptness at National Headquarters, they would be more careful in filling correctly and forwarding without delay all returns.

I have mailed eight General Orders, seven Circular Letters, one set of invitations to attend opening of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, and a copy of Journal of Seventh Department Convention to all Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents and delegates to same, excepting those resident in Denver, who were supplied by my predecessor, Sarah E. Calvert.

Have written more than one thousand letters and inspected one corps, George Washington No. 42 of Denver.

In the name of the Department thanks are due and are hereby tendered Halsey Rhoades, editor of Rocky Mountain *Herald*, for furnishing weekly a copy of same, for the year, free of charge to each Corps President in Colorado and Wyoming. Also to Fred M. Dille of Greeley, for engrossment of charters without compensation.

To you, Mrs. President, I desire to return thanks for encouraging words and uniform kindness. To all members of the order I extend fraternal greetings.

What the coming years may have for the Woman's Relief Corps lies hidden in the valley of hope, in the meantime let us all remember:

"There is many a gem in the path of life,
Which we pass in our idle pleasure,
That is richer far than the jeweled crown,
Or the miser's hoarded treasure;
It may be the love of a little child,
Or a mother's prayer to heaven,
Or only a veteran's grateful thanks,
For a cup of cold water given."

Hoping to aid my successor the following recommendations are submitted:

First. That all orders for supplies be sent direct to Department Treasurer.

Second. That it be made obligatory that corps quarterly reports be filled on the day of last meeting in quarter,

the same to be enclosed in one envelope and forwarded to Department Secretary. Were this done promptly delinquent reports would cease to exist.

Third. That Corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year. That each corps purchase a letter book for the above purpose.

Fourth. That Department Secretary, in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps secretaries, shall indicate in red ink, on line 15, "number remaining suspended last report," which shall not be changed; the same to be a copy of column 16 on Consolidated Report of previous quarter.

Fifth. That a Red Book be purchased at once by every corps in this Department, for the use of officers especially; by so doing much valuable time, and postage, would be saved.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,
JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
Department Secretary.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF SECRETARY.

DELLA KELSAY, *Chairman*,
EDITH M. NEWLAND,
MARY T. BRENBARGER,
CAROLINE PARKER, M. D.,
MARY A. ELDREDGE.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER.

GREELEY, COLO., April 26, 1892.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM:

In compliance with our "Rules and Regulations," I have the honor to submit herewith my financial statement for the year ending April 26, 1892.

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

*May S. Hotchkiss, Department Treasurer, in account with
the Woman's Relief Corps:*

May 1, 1891.

	Dr.
Cash on hand,	\$550 37
Received for per capita tax,	696 65
Received sale of supplies,	275 36
Balance from Home fund,	1 27
W. S. Hancock Corps, balance funds,	10 00
Name cards for Soldiers' Home,	7 50
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	\$1,541 15

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Supplies,	\$204 97
Printing Journals,	141 75
Postage on Journals,	8 04
Secretary and Treasurer's salary,	100 00
Department inspection,	133 10
Visiting and organizing corps,	57 85
Express, expressage, etc.,	31 90
Telegrams,	2 90
Printing and stationery,	88 95
Postage, Department use,	50 32
Postage on supplies to Corps,	20 83
Postage on Rituals,	2 80
Expenses of Council meetings,	12 15
Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer, Flag,	1 05
Auditing accounts, Cheyenne,	6 00
Department President's expenses to National Convention,	49 60
Badges for National Convention,	10 90
Paid Corps credits on Treasurer's books,	7 34
Department President visiting Den- ver, railroad business,	6 15
Paid per capita tax Holyoke Corps,	3 75
Board National Secretary, Manitou,	5 30
Trunk for supplies,	3 00
Mrs. A. B. Henderson,	5 00
Per capita tax National Treasurer,	88 03
Department Relief,	50 00
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Carried forward,	\$1,091 68

Brought forward,	\$1,091 68	
Name cards, Soldiers' Home,	21 75	
Auditing Department books,	6 00	
Freight on National Journals,	3 82	
Expenses Department President, Department Convention,	10 00	
Expenses Department Secretary, Department Convention,	10 00	
Expenses Department Treasurer, Department Convention,	10 00	
Incidentals,	1 75	
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		\$1,155 00
To balance General Fund,		352 24
To balance Relief Fund,		33 91
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		\$1,541 15

SOLDIERS' HOME, GOLDEN.	Dr.	
Balance from former Treasurer,	\$49 88	
Contributions from Corps,	15 00	
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		\$64 88
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Expenses closing Home,	\$63 61	
Transferred to Relief Fund,	1 27	
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		\$64 88

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME, MONTE VISTA.	Dr.	
Received from Corps,	\$655 50	
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		\$655 50

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Paid H. C. Watson for Home,	\$595 50	
Refunded Custer Corps,	25 00	
Refunded George Crook Corps,	25 00	
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		\$645 50
To Balance		10 00
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		\$655 50

W. R. C. HOME.	Dr.	
Contributions from Corps,	\$29 82	
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		\$29 82
	Cr.	
Paid National Treasurer	\$29 82	
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		\$29 82

SUPPLIES ON HAND.

4 order books,	14 "Red Books,"	3 "Black Books,"
7 service books,	16 rituals,	1 roll book,
1 letter file,	2 charters,	25 discharge cards,
53 visiting cards,	77 transfer cards,	1 requisition book,
2 journals,	4 initiation odes,	12 invoice supplies,
20 ode cards,	16 emblems,	41 badges,
30 gilt seals,	14 election returns,	11 flags,
13 "Initiation March,"	157 "Rules and Regulations,"	
11 Parliamentary Rules,	280 secretary reports,	
300 treasurer reports,	350 applications for member-	
200 arrearage blanks,	ship,	
5 large electrotypes,	3 small electrotypes,	
7 yds badge ribbon,	22 treasurer's bonds,	
70 Corps relief blanks,	10 "Burial Services,"	
16 memorial blanks,	5 assistant inspector's	
3 assistant I. and I. blanks.	blanks,	
Total value supplies on hand, \$77.65.		

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

Charter,	-	-	-	-	\$5 00
Seal,	-	-	-	-	7 50
Banners,	-	-	-	-	13 00
Desk,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Chairs, -	-	-	-	-	8 00
Waste basket,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Hektograph,	-	-	-	-	3 50
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					\$48 00

ASSETS.

Supplies on hand,	-	-	-	77 65
Cash balance, General Fund,	-	-	\$352 24	
Cash balance, Relief Fund,	-	;	33 91	
Cash balance, Home Fund,	-	-	10 00	
Total Cash,	-	-	-	396 15
Due from Corps,	-	-	-	12 25
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Total Assets,	-	-	-	\$534 05

CORPS CONTRIBUTING TO GOLDEN HOME FUND.

U. S. Grant,	-	-	-	-	\$1 50
Nathaniel Lyon,	-	-	-	-	1 00
James A. Garfield,	-	-	-	-	2 50
Battle Mountain,	-	-	-	-	50
E. M. Stanton,	-	-	-	-	3 00
Thornburg,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Veteran,	-	-	-	-	2 00
Farragut,	-	-	-	-	1 00
McPherson,	-	-	-	-	2 00
Upton,	-	-	-	-	50
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					\$15 00

CORPS CONTRIBUTING TO W. R. C. HOME.

U. S. Grant,	-	-	-	-	\$1 25
George Washington,	-	-	-	-	80
George G. Meade,	-	-	-	-	2 76
E. V. Sumner,	-	-	-	-	2 10
Battle Mountain,	-	-	-	-	1 00
Farragut,	-	-	-	-	1 15
M. M. Crocker,	-	-	-	-	96
Veteran,	-	-	-	-	3 50
Jas. A. Garfield,	-	-	-	-	5 00
George Crook,	-	-	-	-	2 00
McPherson,	-	-	-	-	1 50
W. T. Sherman,	-	-	-	-	60
Kit Carson,	-	-	-	-	75
Thornburg,	-	-	-	-	5 00
E. M. Stanton,	-	-	-	-	1 45
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					\$29 82

CORPS CONTRIBUTING TO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME,
MONTE VISTA.

Jas. A. Garfield,	-	-	-	-	\$25 00
John Schuler,	-	-	-	-	10 00
Akron,	-	-	-	-	5 50
W. T. Sherman,	-	-	-	-	15 00
McPherson,	-	-	-	-	30 00
U. S. Grant,	-	-	-	-	25 00
Thornburg,	-	-	-	-	25 00
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Carried forward,	-	-	-	-	\$135 50

Brought forward,	-	\$135	50
E. D. Baker,	-	25	00
E. M. Stanton,	-	25	00
Phil Sheridan,	-	25	00
Winfield Scott,	-	25	00
Nathaniel Lyon,	-	25	00
Grand Junction,	-	25	00
George G. Meade,	-	25	00
E. V. Sumner,	-	100	00
M. M. Crocker,	-	25	00
Battle Mountain,	-	25	00
Veteran,	-	25	00
Farragut,	-	25	00
Colorado Springs,	-	25	00
Colorado City,	-	25	00
Kit Carson,	-	25	00
Pike's Peak,	-	20	00
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			\$605 50

To members of the order with whom I have, through business relations, been brought in contact, I wish to extend a grateful acknowledgement of the universal kindness which has been shown me. I have tried to the best of my ability to serve you faithfully and well, and it is a source of much pleasure to know that my efforts have met with unfailing kindness and consideration by those I have tried to serve. I sincerely thank you.

To you, Mrs. President, I wish to extend my warmest thanks for your evident appreciation of my efforts to do my work in an acceptable manner, and for your patient endurance of my many shortcomings.

While the year just past has been a busy one and many perplexing things have arisen to try both patience and temper, there are also many pleasant things to remember; many friends and I hope few enemies made, many hours spent in both interesting and profitable work, which have drawn us nearer together, making the year one which will be remembered with pleasure on my part, at least.

RECOMMENDATION.

That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from corps nearest the Department President, in

order to facilitate the auditing of the Department Treasurer's books and accounts.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
MAY S. HOTCHKISS,
Department Treasurer.

COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

LUCY M. CAPRON, *Chairman*,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
JESSIE SHARP PURRIER,
LIZZIE M. REYNOLDS,
JENNIE SAFELY.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

READ BY MAY S. HOTCHKISS.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM:

The year just past has brought its changes. We have been called upon to part with some who have been co-workers with us in our efforts to relieve the sick and unfortunate.

From the reports made of deaths the names of six of our members pass from the roll-call of the living to that of the dead. Most probably there are others whose names have not been reported. Following are the names of deceased members:

THREE RAPS OF GAVEL.

MISS ELLA JONES,
MRS. FLORENCE A. GROSS,
MRS. CLARA C. ELDRIGE,
MRS. CELIA M. FERGUSON,
MISS SARAH ALICE BROWN,
MRS. BELL.

ONE RAP.

The first to be called from earthly labors was MISS ELLA JONES, a worthy member of T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5 of Golden. She died on the 4th of September, 1891. Resolutions expressing the high esteem in which she was held were passed by Corps No. 5 and were as follows:

WHEREAS, One of our members has been called from among us to the silent land, to cross the river over which we all have to pass one by one, and knowing the warm heartedness of our deceased sister—Ella Jones—it is but mete that we should give expression to the high esteem in which she was held. She sleeps her last sleep; her life work being done, therefore:

Resolved, That while our loss is her eternal gain, we feel deeply the loss, and tender to her bereaved father and mother our deepest and most heartfelt sympathy.

Resolved, That in her death our corps has lost a true and earnest member; her parents a loving daughter.

Resolved, That the charter of our corps be draped in mourning for thirty days, and that this memorial be entered on the records, and a copy be sent to the bereaved parents, and published in the local papers.

" Sister, thou hast gone to rest,
Thy toils and cares are o'er,
And sorrow, pain and suffering
Can afflict thee now no more.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life has fled,
Then in heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tear is shed "

The next to answer the roll-call from the world beyond was MRS. FLORENCE A. GROSS. She was a member of Corps No. 8. Of her a sister member wrote as follows:

"The saying that death loves a shining mark has been verified in this instance, for her many virtues combined with her grand mental endowments, made her a woman to command respect and invite friendship. With no narrow-mindedness, but with capabilities to embrace all that was good, true and noble in existence, she gave to us an example of Christianity and pure womanhood that is well worthy of example. Friendship with such a nature was

not the idle word but the ideal virtue, and it is not strange that we are led to ask, why was she taken from her many duties here, when she was so needed among us? As a mother, wife, daughter, sister and friend, her place can not be filled. But as a member of our W. R. C. let her death be a link to bind more closely the chain uniting us as sisters, in our course, for we know not how soon we may be called to perform the same sad duty over some other member of our band. Let our every thought, word and deed, be to each other as sister between sister so that when the life of some beloved member is closed in death, we can stand beside them with no thought of remorse for cruel words spoken or deed committed.

Let us take this sad lesson to heart and profit by her death, for it shows us how uncertain and short our lives are and our possibilities for good deeds and words are passing each day, and let us not be led to exclaim, at the death of some other sister, the saddest of all words, 'too late.' She died on the 5th of October, 1891."

The next death reported was that of MRS. CLARA C. ELDRIGE, of Veteran Relief Corps No. 14 of Denver. At the time of her death she was residing in Aspen. She departed November 18th, 1891. Special memorial services were held and Mrs. America Whist made an appropriate address. She also contributed the following in memory of her to the local paper:

"Death has invaded our corps and claimed a sister, and while we cannot understand this mysterious dispensation, we bow to the all-wise decree, for God has called; the silver cord is loosed, the golden bowl is broken, the spirit of our sister has winged its flight to the world unknown but in the morning of the resurrection, when the voice of the Son of God shall wake the sleeping dead, she too shall rise in newness of life, clothed in immortal youth and bloom, and be forever with the Lord.

The many amiable and lovable traits of our sister, who by the ministration to the suffering and afflicted, coupled with a kindly and generous nature, endeared her to all. She will be missed, but in the home circle, where the excellencies of her character as a devoted wife and fond mother shone pre-eminent, her loss will be most keenly felt. The

summons came without warning, and her sun went down clear, suddenly and still. May each of us heed the admonition, 'Be ye also ready,' should the summons come at morning, at noonday or in the watches of the night.

May the anguish of her loved ones be softened by the thought that while she cannot return to them they may go to her.

Her mission on earth is ended,
Her soul is forever at rest,
Where unspeakable joys are blended
With the pure, the good and the blest.
No stormy night of gloom,
No sorrow, pain and weeping;
Though resting in the silent tomb,
Our friend's not dead, but sleeping.

MRS. CELIA M. FERGUSON, a member of Veteran Relief Corps No. 14 of Denver, died March 12th, 1892, in Denver.

Resolutions expressing the deep sense of loss and of the true worth of Mrs. Ferguson were passed by the corps but no copy of which was received by your Department Chaplain.

That she was a worthy and faithful member of our order—this alone, warrants us in enrolling her name among the friends of the sick and the needy and will insure for her a remembrance when God shall recompense her "according to the deeds done in the body."

On February the 4th, 1892, God called MISS SARAH ALICE BROWN. She was, at the time of her death, at the home of her parents in Columbus, Indiana.

She was a member of Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27 of Boulder. Coming to Colorado to care for a sick sister, she faithfully attended upon her until death relieved her from that duty. She was shortly after taken down with typhoid fever, from which she never fully recovered. Consumption followed as a result of her debilitated condition, and seeing that the end must soon be reached she returned to her parents.

Resolutions of respect were duly passed by her corps and forwarded to her afflicted friends.

MEMORIAL REPORT OF CHRISTINA THORNTON, DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, W. R. C., DEPT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, 1891.

NAME OF CORPS, No.	LOCATION.	Membership	No. of Members Taking Part.	Did Corps as a Body Attend Memorial Service?	How many Soldiers' Graves were Decorated?	How many Children took part.	What Expense was Incurred.	Were Refreshments provided for the Post?	Were Flowers contributed to Post or purchased?	Amount expended, if any.	Was a Memorial prepared to Unknown Dead?	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
1 Farragut, - - -	Denver, - - Colo.	70	•	Yes.	257	†	\$ 00.00	No.	Yes.	\$ 00.00	Yes.	More enthusiasm shown than ever.
2 Union, - - -	Pueblo, - - "	35	25	Yes.	35	†	10.45	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	No remarks.
3 J. A. Sawyer, -	Breckenridge, -	17	4	No.	12	30	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Large crowd and interest shown.
4 Colorado Springs, -	Colorado Springs, -	59	16	Yes.	65	600	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Proceedings of day were interesting.
5 T. H. Dault, - -	Golden, - - "	59	25	Yes.	50	50	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	
6 George G. Meade, -	Denver, - - "	50	50	Yes.	250	30	00.00	No.	Both.	00.00	Yes.	
7 E. V. Sumner, - -	Silver Cliff, - -	96	All	Yes.	16	50	7.80	No.		00.00	Yes.	Addresses by J. J. McNeely and T. H. No remarks.
8 J. A. Garfield, -	Leadville, - - "	26	All	Yes.	16	50	100.00	No.	Purch.	100.00	Yes.	Notice given late, hence small number.
9 Geo. F. Reynolds, -	Cheyenne, - - Wyo.	35	10	Yes.	75	160	12.50	No.	Yes.	00.00	No.	Procession largest known here.
10 Gunnison, - - -	Gunnison, - - Colo.	109	60	Yes.	400	190	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Scholars of District 1 give flowers to Largest attendance known.
11 Veteran, - - -	Greeley, - - "	83	75	Yes.	24	24	01.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Interesting services at M. E. Church.
12 U. S. Grant, - -	Grand Junction, -	17	9	No.	8	13	.75	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	No remarks.
13 Greenwood, - -	Canon City, - - "	30	22	Yes.	25	130	140.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Great interest shown.
14 Winfield Scott, -	Aspen, - - Wyo.	50	40	Yes.	35	600	50.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Memorial services especially noticeable.
15 Custer, - - -	Laramie, - - "	27	20	Yes.	9	12	25.00	No.	Both.	00.00	Yes.	Day observed with patriotic regard.
16 E. D. Baker, - -	Idaho Springs, Colo.	12	18	Yes.	7	40	2.50	Yes.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Had no services.
17 W. S. Hancock, -	Glenwood, - - "	19	14	Yes.	30	40	50.00	Yes.	Purch.	00.00	No.	Monument erected to unknown dead \$
18 W. T. Sherman, -	Evans, - - "	18	13	Yes.	30	53	5.75	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Tableau representing Libby Prison.
19 Thornburg, - - -	Fort Collins, - -	56	49	Yes.	17	450	53.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Ladies took great pains in decorating.
20 George H. Thomas, -	Boulder, - - "	27	7	No.	4	75	6.00	Yes.	Both.	00.00	Yes.	No remarks.
21 John Schuler, - -	Sheridan, - - Wyo.	24	18	Yes.	6	40	6.00	No.		00.00	Yes.	Services at M. E. Church.
22 Battle Mountain, -	Red Cliff, - - "	25	12	Yes.	3	45	10.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Mound erected to "Our unknown."
23 Kit Carson, - - -	Lamar, - - "	32	31	Yes.	19	34	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Remarks. [deftable manner.
24 Mel'erson, - - -	Longmont, - - "	16	12	Yes.	6	20	00.00	Yes.	Both.	00.00	Yes.	Memorial services carried out in very
25 Chester A. Arthur, -	Sundance, - - Wyo.	10	16	Yes.	3	45	00.00	Yes.		00.00	Yes.	Have had no chaplain.
26 George Crook, - -	Tie Siding, - - "	16	16	Yes.	3	50	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	No.	Impressive service - large attendance.
27 Akron, - - -	Salida, - - Colo.	24	11	Yes.	29	47	2.40	No.	Yes.	00.00	No.	Patriotic sentiment shown.
28 E. M. Stanton, - -	Colorado City, -	20	20	Yes.	3	100	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Best ever presented here.
29 Pike's Peak, - - -	Manitou, - - "	24	10	Yes.	3	30	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	No remarks.
30 Phil Sheridan, - -	Buena Vista, - -	26	26	Yes.	12	50	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	Largest crowd ever had.
31 Washington, - - -	Denver, - - "	23	17	No.	100	70	00.00	No.	Yes.	00.00	Yes.	No remarks.
* Good Attendance	† D. of I. † In a body.	643			1612	2887	\$ 278.15			\$ 100.00		\$ and children decorated it and sang.

One other death has come to my knowledge, that of MRS. BELL of Colorado Springs Relief Corps No. 4, but no particulars are at my command to make known to you.

The last service that we can render to these, our departed members, has been done. To each one of them, and to all who die while engaged in works of mercy, may the Lord grant everlasting rest and may perpetual light shine upon them.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,
CHRISTINA THORNTON,
Department Chaplain.

REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

RED CLIFF, Colo., March 18, 1892.

MRS. JOSEPHINE CHEESEMAN,
Department Secretary, W. R. C.

I have the honor to submit my report as Inspector of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, for the year ending August 3, 1891.

At the time of beginning inspection, October 20, there were 34 Corps with a total membership in good standing of 1115.

Average attendance, 452 or $13\frac{1}{3}$ each.

Average attendance of officers, 237, or 7 each.

Amount in Relief Fund, - - - \$629 28

Amount expended in Relief, - - - 2,184 25

Amount expended other than money, 1,532 80

Amount turned over to Posts, - - - 1,208 00

Veteran Corps, of Denver, has expended the largest amount in relief, and has also the largest membership.

It was my privilege to personally inspect 21 corps. The others were inspected by our President, and by assistants appointed, so that I am able to report that every corps has been visited, thoroughly inspected, and given such instruction and encouragement as needed.

I find the Ritual memorized by six (6) corps, and otherwise properly performed, with one exception.

The books of Secretary and Treasurer in many instances do not show that they have been audited. I think it is due to the fact that many do not fully understand what is required. Although the books of Treasurer are kept in such a way that corps officers understand their own accounts and are able to make correct reports to Department, there is no uniformity in the system, making it difficult for Inspector to properly examine books in the short time she usually is able to give.

I would recommend that corps having books over three years old purchase new official ones with specimen sheets showing Treasurer's work in full.

The Treasurer's office is one of responsibility, and it is right that she should be given the means for filling it well.

With the Red Book in the hands of each President this year, many questions can easily be settled, saving much time and worry on the part of corps officers.

It gives me much pleasure to speak of the interest manifested in the work of our Order throughout the Department, and especially would I mention the corps remote from headquarters as deserving great credit for their untiring zeal. I hope that special effort will be made to visit them this year.

I wish to extend my thanks to the officers and members of corps visited, for the universal courtesy and cordiality with which I was received. In every instance I was met by some one, and I have only pleasant memories of a profitable and delightful trip and the many sisterly, noble women who grace our Order.

To our dear President, who honored me with the appointment of Inspector, I render special thanks for counsel given and for assuming the burden of the work in Wyoming, where the journeys were long and tedious.

I am also indebted to the Assistant Inspectors for the faithful performance of duties.

In conclusion I would say that I have done the work assigned me, conscientiously and to the best of my ability, and trust that I have thereby shown my appreciation of the honor conferred.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

ROSELLA A. GOODRICH.

ANNUAL REPORT OF ROSELLA A. GOODRICH, INSPECTOR OF DEPT OF COLO. AND WYO., W. R. C., YEAR ENDING AUG. 31, 1891.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	No. regular meetings in year.	No. of Members in good standing.	Average attendance of Officers.	Average attendance of Members and Officers.	Is the number of Rituals complete?	Have all Reports and Dues been forwarded to Department Headquarters?	Amount charged for initiation not including price of Badge.	Amount charged for yearly dues.	Amount of money in Relief Fund, if none, so report.	Amount expended for Relief, Sept. 1st, 1891.	Estimated Value of Relief other than Money.	Do Books of Secy and Treas. show they have been Audited by Fin. Com. quarterly?
Farragut, -	1	Denver, -	43	38	8	13	Yes	Yes	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$30.94	\$202.00	\$3.00	Yes
Upton, -	2	Pueblo, -	48	24	6	11	"	"	1.00	2.00	18.55	73.60	13.00	No.
Colorado Springs, -	4	Colorado Springs, -	24	30	6	14	"	"	1.00	1.20	5.05	23.25	8.00	Yes
T. H. Dodd, -	5	Golden, -	18	55	7	12	"	"	1.00	1.00	5.48	258.90	157.00	No.
George G. Mende, -	6	Denver, -	51	92	6	25	"	"	1.00	2.00	103.92	107.10	18.00	Yes
E. V. Sumner, -	7	Silver Cliff, -	24	21	6	12	"	"	1.00	1.00	19.61	110.75	18.00	No.
James A. Garfield, -	8	Lendville, -	42	46	7	20	"	"	1.00	2.00	35.03	15.00	10.00	Yes
John F. Reynolds, -	9	Cheyenne, Wyo.	24	33	8	20	"	"	1.00	2.00	5.36	6.55	25.00	No.
Gunnison, -	12	Gunnison, Colo.	12	17	5	8	"	"	1.00	1.00	8.38	312.00	312.80	Yes
Veteran, -	14	Denver, -	45	117	8	29	"	"	1.00	2.00	.87	166.70	100.50	"
U. S. Grant, -	15	Greeley, -	21	84	8	24	"	"	1.00	2.00	15.00	25.00	13.00	"
Grand Junction, -	17	Grand Junction, -	20	28	6	8	"	"	1.00	1.00	2.00	4.20	2.00	No.
Greenwood, -	18	Canon City, -	18	17	7	8	"	"	1.00	1.00	12.28	127.15	15.00	"
Winfield Scott, -	19	Aspen, -	47	21	7	10	"	"	1.50	2.00	22.40	38.45	17.50	Yes
Custer, -	20	Laramie, -	24	40	7	27	"	"	1.00	2.00	17.00	45.00	7.00	No.
E. D. Baker, -	22	Idaho Springs, Colo.	22	25	7	11	"	"	1.00	2.00	5.50	85.20	90.50	No.
W. S. Hancock, -	23	Glenwood, -	20	11	7	8	"	"	1.00	2.00	20.00	85.20	13.00	"
W. T. Sherman, -	24	Evans, -	20	11	8	12	"	"	1.00	2.00	12.00	81.00	13.00	"
Thornburg, -	25	Georgetown, -	16	16	9	9	"	"	1.00	1.50	14.86	40.00	330.00	Yes
George H. Thomas, -	26	Fort Collins, -	24	18	6	9	"	"	1.00	1.00	36.86	157.70	216.25	"
Nathaniel Lyon, -	27	Boulder, -	20	54	8	18	"	"	1.50	1.00	7.39	49.00	11.00	"
Battle Mountain, -	29	Red Cliff, -	31	24	7	10	"	"	1.00	1.00	101.35	10.10	19.50	"
Kit Carson, -	31	Lamar, -	24	15	5	5	"	"	1.00	1.40	28.00	38.05	9.50	No.
Nathaniel Lyon, -	32	Longmont, -	27	37	8	17	"	"	1.00	1.00	8.25	103.00	16.00	"
McPherson, -	33	Sundance, -	12	12	4	6	"	"	1.00	2.00	15.30	15.30	2.75	Yes
Chester A. Arthur, -	34	La Junta, -	24	13	6	10	"	"	1.00	1.00	13.81	20.45	25.00	No.
George Crook, -	35	Tie Siding, -	18	18	6	6	"	"	1.00	2.00	11.00	35.00	35.00	Yes
Salida, -	36	Akron, -	24	13	6	14	"	"	1.00	1.00	1.00	25.00	5.00	"
E. M. Stanton, -	37	Colorado City, -	20	25	9	13	"	"	1.00	1.00	13.81	20.45	25.00	Yes
Pike's Peak, -	38	Montito, -	27	30	8	12	"	"	1.00	2.00	11.00	35.00	35.00	Yes
M. M. Crocker, -	39	Denver, -	30	30	8	13	"	"	1.00	1.00	1.00	25.00	5.00	"
Phil Sheridan, -	40	Buena Vista, -	21	30	8	13	"	"	1.00	1.00	17.03	25.00	5.00	"
George Washington, -	42	Denver, -	17	24	6	18	"	"	1.00	2.00	17.03	25.00	5.00	"
			1115	av7	av13	av13			\$1.40av.	\$69.28	\$2184.23	\$532.80		

ANNUAL REPORT OF ROSELLA A. GOODRICH, INSPECTOR OF DEPT OF COLO. AND WYO., W. R. C., YEAR ENDING AUG. 31, 1891.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	13	14	15	16	17	1	2	3	4
Farragut, -	1	Denver, - Colo.	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		No.	Yes	Yes	Yes
Upton, -	2	Pueblo, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Colorado Springs, -	4	Colorado Springs "	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
T. H. Dodd, -	5	Golden, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
George G. Meade, -	6	Denver, -	"	"	"	No.	\$12.50	Yes	"	"	"
E. V. Sumner, -	7	Silver Cliff, -	"	"	"	Yes	30.00	No.	"	"	"
James A. Garfield, -	8	Leadville, - Wyo.	"	"	"	No.	700.00	Yes	"	"	"
John F. Reynolds, -	9	Cheyenne, -	"	"	"	Yes	48.50	Yes	"	"	"
Gunnison, -	12	Gunnison, - Colo.	"	"	"	No.		"	"	"	"
Veteran, -	14	Denver, -	"	"	"	Yes		"	"	"	"
U. S. Grant, -	15	Greeley, -	"	"	"	No.	5.00	"	"	"	"
Grand Junction, -	17	Grand Junction, -	"	"	"	Yes		No.	"	"	"
Greenwood, -	18	Canon City, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Winfield Scott, -	19	Aspen, -	"	"	"	"	210.10	partly.	"	"	"
Custer, -	20	Laramie, - Wyo.	"	"	"	"	25.00	No.	"	"	"
E. D. Baker, -	22	Idaho Springs, Colo.	"	"	No.	No.		"	"	"	"
W. S. Hancock, -	23	Glenwood, -	"	"	Yes	Yes		"	"	"	"
W. T. Sherman, -	24	Evans, -	"	Yes	"	"	95.75	"	"	"	"
Thornburg, -	25	Georgetown, -	"	"	"	"		Yes	"	"	"
George H. Thomas, -	26	Fort Collins, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Nathaniel Lyon, -	27	Boulder, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Battle Mountain, -	29	Red Cliff, - Colo.	"	"	"	"		partly	"	"	"
Kit Carson, -	31	Lamar, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
McPherson, -	32	Longmont, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Chester A. Arthur, -	33	Sundance, - Wyo.	"	"	"	No.	6.50	No.	No.	No.	No.
Kilpatrick, -	34	La Junta, - Colo.	"	"	"	Yes	50.00	"	Yes	Yes	Yes
George Crook, -	35	Tie Siding, - Wyo.	"	"	"	"	18.95	"	Yes	"	"
Akron, -	36	Salida, - Colo.	"	"	"	"	5.00	partly.	"	"	"
E. M. Stanton, -	37	Akron, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Colorado City, -	38	Colorado City, -	"	No.	"	"		"	"	"	"
Pike's Peak, -	39	Manitou, -	"	Yes	"	"		"	"	"	"
M. M. Crocker, -	40	Denver, -	"	"	"	"		"	"	"	"
Phil Sheridan, -	41	Buena Vista, -	"	No.	"	"		partly.	"	"	"
George Washington, -	42	Denver, -	"	Yes	"	"		No.	"	"	"
							\$1,208.00				

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COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF INSPECTOR.

FREDERICKA LANGMEYER, *Chairman*,
JANETTE TODD,
ORPHIE E. BACON,
LOUISE SEEBERGER,
ANN ELIZA WOODARD.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICER.

HEADQUARTERS, DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICE, }
DENVER, Colorado, April 23, 1892. }

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMEN,

Department Secretary, Colorado and Wyoming.

I have the honor to present a report consolidated from the returns of the Assistant Department I. and I. officers for the years 1891 and 1892. There have been organized in the Department three corps, with an aggregate charter membership of 41. The first corps instituted by the present administration was Joe Hooker Corps No. 43 at Monte Vista, by our Department President, Climena G. Howard, with a charter membership of seventeen.

The second corps was Holyoke No. 44 at Holyoke, instituted by Nellie L. Bailey, President of Akron Corps, with a charter membership of ten.

The third was John C. Fremont, instituted at Littleton by Jennie McGill, Department I. and I. officer, with fourteen charter members.

While I am sorry to report the instituting of but three corps this year, I feel that it is not owing to the lack of diligence of Department officers.

Farragut held its installation January 2nd, Ida DeLange, Installing officer.

The officers of Upton were installed January 7th, Mina Sanford, Installing officer.

The officers of T. H. Dodd were installed January 14th, Catherine Kennedy, Installing officer.

The officers of George G. Meade were installed January 5th, America Anderson, Installing officer.

The officers of E. P. Sumner were installed January 11th, Wm. B. Keener, Installing officer.

The officers of James A. Garfield were installed January 7th, A. V. Bahey, Installing officer.

The officers of J. F. Reynolds were installed January 8th, Hattie E. Cowhick, Installing officer.

The officers of Gunnison were installed January 6th, Jessie S. Purrier, Installing officer.

The officers of Veteran were installed January 7th by Department President Climena G. Howard.

The officers of U. S. Grant were installed on the eve of January 7th by Climena G. Howard, Department President.

The officers of Grand Junction Corps were installed January 12th, C. W. Steele, Installing officer.

The officers of Greenwood Corps were installed January 7th, Lizzie Spreyer, Installing officer.

The officers of Winfield Scott Corps were installed January 7th, Emma Gartley, Installing officer.

The officers of Custer Corps were installed January 9th, Sarah W. Pease, Installing officer.

The officers of W. T. Sherman Corps were installed January 6th, William McFie, Installing officer.

The officers of Thornburgh Corps were installed January 1st, John Forney, Installing officer.

The officers of George H. Thomas Corps were installed January 2nd, Olivia L. Mandeville, Installing officer.

The officers of Nathaniel Lyons Corps were installed January 5th, M. Berwick Anderson, Installing officer.

The officers of Battle Mountain Corps were installed January 8th, H. W. Goodrich, Installing officer.

The officers of Kit Carson Corps were installed January 14th, Carrie S. Cooper, Installing officer.

The officers of McPherson Corps were installed January 5th, B. L. Carr, Installing officer.

The officers of Chester A. Arthur Corps were installed January 9th, John Potter, Installing officer.

The officers of Kilpatrick Corps were installed January 21st, Delia Brinkman, Installing officer.

The officers of George Crook Corps were installed January 9th, G. W. Shelton, Installing officer.

The officers of E. M. Stanton Corps were installed January 6th, H. D. Smith, Installing officer.

The officers of Colorado City Corps were installed January 7th, Ella L. Dwinell, Installing officer.

The officers of Pike's Peak Corps were installed January 9th, A. Cell, Installing officer.

The officers of M. M. Crocker Corps were installed January 4th, Jennie McGill, Installing officer.

The officers of Phil. Sheridan Corps were installed January 8th, Henry Logan, Installing officer.

The officers of Washington Corps were installed January 5th, Jennie McGill, Installing officer.

The officers of Joe. Hooker Corps were installed January 5th, Chauncy S. Aldrich, Installing officer.

The officers of Holyoke Corps were installed February 21st, Phineas B. Reynolds, Installing officer.

The officers of John C. Fremont Corps were installed January 6th, N. Z. Cozens, Installing officer.

REMARKS.

During the year I have instituted one corps and installed the officers of two corps, all corps with the exception of a few, reported a joint installation with post and a general good social time was indulged in.

And now Mrs. President, I should not feel as if my report was completed if I failed to speak of the kind and pleasant manner in which I have been treated by all the Corps in the Department which I have had the opportunity of visiting, and especially must I say it of the new Corps. And to our Department President, who has been so kind and gentle all through the year, never tiring of giving good advice to those that needed it. To her I extend my warmest thanks, and all those associated with her in this good work of Charity.

May the Great Commander of us all guide and direct us for another year.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

JENNIE MCGILL,
Instituting and Installing Officer.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF CHIEF INSTITUTING AND
INSTALLING OFFICER'S REPORT.

AMERICA ANDERSON, *Chairman*,
CHARLOTTE R. COE,
HARRIET E. ABBEY,
LIZA STUKEY,
LAURA BUCHANAN.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR.

Denver, Colo., April, 1892.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Secretary Department of Colo., and Wyo., W. R. C.

MADAM:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the Department President and members of the Eighth Annual Convention of this Department the following report:

In submitting my report, I first desire to congratulate the Department President and the members of the Order upon the perfect harmony that prevails throughout the Department.

Another year has passed and gone and my interest in the noble work of the Womans' Relief Corps has not abated in the least. During the year my work as Department Counselor has not been arduous, as the rules and regulations define the Counselor's duties as simply advisory and she only gives opinions when questions are submitted to her by the Department President.

The following are the questions submitted:

QUERY NO. I.

Can a member be dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues without first having been notified of delinquency?

OPINION.

Members of Corps cannot be dropped from the rolls for non-payment of dues until after having been properly notified.

QUERY NO. 2.

Can a Corps elect a Past Corps President as Delegate to a Department Convention?

OPINION.

A Corp may elect any one of its members in good standing as Delegate to Department Convention, even though by so doing would sacrifice one vote. While I have ever been willing and ready to render any assistance in my power to the Department President, I am glad to state that her devotion to the work and her ability to perform the duties of her office properly have left but little for the Counselor to do.

In closing my official connection with the Department, I assure you it gives me great pleasure to acknowledge the uniform courtesy and kindness extended to me by the Department President and all my associate officers, and I trust that harmony may continue to prevail and the interest in our noble work increase, and may we ever be faithful to our beloved Order and make our lives useful, and when our life work is over, may our deeds of kindness be remembered as:

"Lives of great men all remind us,
We can make our lives sublime;
And, departing, leave behind us,
Footprints on the sands of Time."

AMERICA ANDERSON,
Department Counselor.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF COUNSELOR:

EVA G. COFFIN, *Chairman*,
ELLEN B. BILLOW,
PERSIS A. ARNOLD.
ANNIE CLINE,
ANNIE COULTER.

REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary, W. R. C., of Colo. and Wyo.

MADAM:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you and this

Department the report of Delegate-at-large to the ninth annual Convention held at Detroit on August 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th, 1891.

In this report I shall not enter into the official business of the Convention, that you can read for yourselves.

Detroit was the home of my childhood and girlhood and I hope to pay her loving tribute, as we would to a loving mother, who has always been true. But ask you to remember that I take up this duty with fear and trembling, for although there is no lack of love, I fear there is a lack of ability to give her even a small part of what is her due.

We left Denver on the night of July 31st, on the official train of the G. A. R. The trip was a delightful one and will long be pleasantly remembered by all aboard. It is not necessary for me to say that every attention was paid us for all know that a G. A. R. comrade never fails in politeness. In spite of the heat, and what one would generally suppose would be a general uncomfortableness, all were jolly, pleasant and obliging.

Saturday morning I drew aside the curtain of my berth before rising, to take a survey of the country, the bands were playing, I saw in the distance the well known figure of Commander Fleming, returning from a foraging expedition. Don't think he had a pig because I didn't hear it, but I know he had a chicken, because I saw it. Strange isn't it, how youthful depravity clings to one, even on the borders of middle age?

Sunday morning, services were held on the train, conducted by our Department President. Arrived at our journey's end on Sunday evening, remained in the sleeper until morning, when the street cars carried us to our several destinations.

To the strange visitor, Detroit is a city whose water facilities, both for business and pleasure, are unrivalled in the West, and whose broad, well-shaded streets are lined with substantial homes, each surrounded with an open space of green grass, so that the residences, to quote the words of a Russian traveller, "Seem like little palaces." To the man of affairs, Detroit is a manufacturing center, noted for its cars, brands of tobacco, seeds, stores, and all that. To the people of Michigan, Detroit is the metropolis of the State,

with all that the word implies. Detroit is all these things, yea, more than these. Old as she is, she is yet the embodiment of the lives of the men and women of to-day. The Detroit of to-day, with its Charities, Society, Art, Music, its business and its pleasures would not compare favorably with that queer old town, whose blackened ruins met the gaze of Governor William Hull when he landed at Detroit on the eve of July 1st, 1805. Hull's coming marked the beginning of the Detroit of to-day.

We found the beautiful city decked like a bride, flowers everywhere, the streets gay with bunting, while the air seemed to be alive with martial strains. The city's greeting was:

To the men who saved the Union: With unspeakable pride and joy, with grateful affection, with unreserved hospitality the patriotic people of this community extend a cordial greeting and a heartfelt welcome. We greet you as soldiers of the grandest army the world has ever seen, whose every battle-field is holy ground

Which breathes of nations saved
Not worlds undone.

We welcome you as worthy citizens of this great nation, which your heroism preserved and perpetuated. In war your achievements are without parallel in history. As citizens, your dutiful obedience to law and your pre-eminence in peaceful avocations are the wonder and the admiration of all men.

"The hopes, the fears, the blood, the tears,
That marred the bitter strife,
Are now all crowned by victory
That saved the nation's life"

PROGRAM FOR THE WEEK.

Monday, August 3rd. Reception of visitors.

Tuesday, August 4th. At 10:30 A. M., Grand parade of the Grand Army of the Republic, Sons of Veterans and Naval Veterans. At 8 P. M., Reception of Commander-in-Chief, the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans and Naval Veterans at the Detroit Rink. At 9 P. M., Reception to Commander-in-Chief at Exposition Building.

Wednesday, August 5th. At 9 A. M., Business session of the Sons of Veterans in High School Building. At 10:30 A. M., Opening session of the 25th Annual Encampment of the G. A. R. at Beecher Hall. At 10 A. M., Opening session of the 9th Annual Convention of the W. R. C. at the Church of Our Father. Evening camp-fires at Exposition Building, Central M. E. Church and Scottish Rite Cathedral. At 9 P. M., Banquet to officers and delegates of 25th National Encampment at Detroit Rink.

August 9th. Excursions to Put-in-Bay, St. Clair and points on river.

Saturday. Tattoo.

Every arrangement that loving care could dictate was made for the care of the sick. Field hospitals at the Headquarters, Hotel Cadillac, the Market Building, Grand Circus Park and the Exposition Grounds, equipped with all necessary appliances and attended by members of the committee, orderlies and trained nurses from Grace and Harper Hospitals.

In two of these, provisions were made for women.— Besides these the established hospitals of the city, St. Mary's Marine, Harper's, Grace, Emergency and St. Luke's, were all open for the reception of the sick or injured, twenty-eight medical relief stations were located upon the principal streets in various parts of the city with a competent physician in attendance at all times. These were designated by the Red cross (hospital) flag, members of hospital corps were designated by white badge bearing red-cross, worn on left arm. Nine fully equipped ambulances were in attendance for service at all times. A physician accompanied each excursion that left the city to render assistance in case of injury or illness. Well and truly did these good people provide for the care of strangers within their gates.

DECORATIONS.

As I looked upon the grand display of flags, bunting and flowers, standing on Woodward avenue I watched our first regiment that left for the war. They left us with eleven hundred and twenty-seven men. A few years later on the wharf of the Michigan Central Depot when each returning soldier was greeted with plenty to eat. Well do I remember

when that little remnant of this same regiment, returned to us, ragged, worn and hungry. As I came off the boat, I heard a rooster crow; there, perched upon a gun was an immense rooster; the soldier coolly informed me he had brought it from rebeldom for his mother, how I wondered that he could joke and laugh when my heart ached as I thought of the many aching hearts that watched their return longing for the loved ones gone. Floral arches of great beauty were erected on the principal streets, one in particular named Peace, which was symbolical of all that the name implies. Flags and bunting were everywhere; on the bridge, on Jefferson Avenue, Woodward Avenue and Park Street.

Grand and Reviewing stands at City Hall square and Campus Martius. The front of the City Hall was a badge, lighted at night in colors. It was the most beautiful thing I ever saw. Floral designs appropriate to the occasion were displayed everywhere. Floral designs of the badges of the Grand Army of the Republic, Woman's Relief Corps, the various army corps, Loyal Legion and Sons of Veterans were especially beautiful at Grand Circus and Belle Isle Parks.

An official directory and program was published and free to all while every citizen seemed to constitute himself or herself a committee to answer questions.

Tuesday, A. M. Grand Parade. Some idea of the number in that parade may be imagined when you know it was ten hours passing a given point.

Ohio had the largest number of men in line. There were in all one hundred thousand men in line with one hundred and forty-five bands, with fifty thousand more unable to march any more. The usual courtesies were shown our National officers, and all members of the Convention received tickets for reserved seats on platform, near reviewing stand, thus enabling them to witness once again this wondrous object lesson which seldom fails to bring tears to the eyes and always fills the heart with patriotic enthusiasm. As I watched them I could not but think that across the gray stormy billow of their lives the white calm of eternity is ruining the water line, coming to meet them. Already the black pilot boat heaves in sight; many hear the signal and death will soon take the helm and steer the bark,

freighted with so many precious lives into the shining rest, into God's white calm.

In the evening, a reception was tendered the National officers of W. R. C. at the Art Museum. It was a charming place to meet and greet one's friends and after the formal presentation was over, a very enjoyable hour was spent among the works of art in this collection.

The National Convention of the W. R. C. met for its ninth Annual Session at the Church of Our Father, Wednesday, Aug. 5th. at 10 A. M. The church was beautifully decorated with flags, designs and blooming plants. A regularly established Post Office at one of the entrances under the supervision of Agnes Patrick and her able corps of assistants proved a valuable accessory to our work.

A delicious and refreshing lunch was served each day in the church parlors to all the members of the Convention and every plate was graced by a lovely souvenir hand-painted card; gratuitously decorated by the students of the art museum of Detroit and the gift of Fairbank's W. R. C. No. 10 of that city. From Maine to California these will ever remain constant reminders of the gracious hospitality so freely bestowed. The Convention was called to order by National President Mary Sears McHenry. The National hymn was sung by the entire body. Prayer was offered by National Chaplain Emily V. Littlefield, followed by the Lord's Prayer in unison. The usual routine of opening was then taken up, National officers introduced to Convention seating Past-National officers on platform. Delegates' badges and officers' reports were distributed as the roll of National officers was called by Assistant Secretary. Past-Commander in Chief Paul Van Der Voort desired to visit the Convention and Chairman of Committees on Courtesies was detailed to escort him to the platform. The National President introduced him to the Convention thus:—"Ladies of the ninth National Convention. We have the pleasure of receiving and greeting this sister comrade, I am sure he needs no introduction to a National Convention of W. R. C. His face and name are familiar to us all as one whose interest and faith in the order grows no less as the years increase. I therefore take great pleasure in introducing to you Past-Commander-in-Chief Paul Van Der Voort." After receiving

the salute of the order he replied to the greeting. Assuring the ladies that the Woman's Relief Corps was one of the things he was willing to live and die by and "if I have nothing but my interest in that, inscribed on the humble piece of marble above my grave my wife and children and all that I love will be satisfied."

He was presented with the souvenir badges of the Convention and escorted to the door, the Convention rising as he passed out, thus expressing the esteem they have for the Commander-in-Chief, under whose administration the order was organized and recognized by the G. A. R. as its auxiliary. Mrs. John A. Logan was not present at Convention, being detained at home by the sickness of her daughter, but sent a letter of greeting, to which the convention replied as follows:

"Greeting of the Ninth National Convention to their revered and loved sister and wife of Ex-Commander-in-Chief John A. Logan, blessed in memory. May gracious peace spread her sheltering wings over you and yours this day." Greetings were wished to other absent members.

Miss Clara Barton was presented to the Convention by National President and invited to address them. I never hear her name mentioned or see it in print but my heart swells with gratitude to the Giver for the gift of so grand a woman to this Nation. She said: "Dear Sisters:—It is not a time now to use moments in courtesies; more important work lies before you for this day, and for the coming days. If I were to talk to you ever so long to try to convince you how great this pleasure and honor is to me, how dear it is to my heart to be reckoned as one of you, either honorary or active, to be a member of your special corps as well, I could not make the matter any stronger or more forcible than I believe you must know it in your hearts. From the first before the relief corps ever existed I was all that a woman could be or feel to the armies of this country to the welfare of all that belonged to them; and when the Grand Army itself prepared for organization I raised every feeble note in my voice for its existence. Then, when later came to the sisters the call to join them, nothing seemed to me so fitting so welcome; and when in open convention you opened the doors and made me one of you, I cannot express to you what

that was to me and when at the same time I was made a charter member of a corps which has held me always since, when I feel that I may do something more than mere honorary work I was glad again. I have held myself from the first to the smallest as well as the highest duty of the Woman's Relief Corps. I have nothing to add and care only to say that in every movement you make you have my prayers, you have my wishes and my help, so far as I can give it. Let us all pray God's blessing on this work and that unity, peace, love, fidelity and loyalty shall be with us all to the end."

Kate B. Sherwood of Ohio, made the following motion:

In order that there shall be no misunderstanding as to the status of Miss Clara Barton and the action of the Convention at California in order to honor Clara Barton, we do not make her a voting member, but to honor her and place her on the rolls to grace us. I move that hereafter, on every National roll-call of the Woman's Relief Corps, the only honorary members shall be Past-Commander in Chief Paul Van Der Voort for making our organization possible, and Clara Barton for her services in war and peace and her distinction at home and abroad and that their names shall be carried perpetually on the roll as the only National Honorary Members.

Seconded and carried.

The President's address I should like to give to you in full, but hope you will all read it. In the part devoted to visits she pays an especial compliment to this Department, in closing she says, "During these visits I was impressed as never before with the scope and unanimity of our work.

Our hopes, our fears, our aims are one,
Our comforts and our cares.

During the Thursday morning session, a Committee from the G. A. R. was admitted, greeted, received and introduced to the Convention by National President.. "Ladies, I have the pleasure of presenting to you a committee from the Silver Encampment of the G. A. R.; comrades, I am happy to greet you, and on behalf of this Convention bid you welcome. Mr. Chairman, we will gladly receive any message you may bring to us. Ladies I take great pleasure in introducing Comrade McHenry, past Dep't. Commander of Iowa,

who bears to you greetings from the twenty-fifth National Encampment, G. A. R."

Mrs. Wittenmeyer explained to the Convention that this is the good and loyal husband of our National President, which announcement caused a ripple of merriment especially when the comrade addressed the presiding officer as Comrade McHenry. He assured the Convention that they surely could not expect anything interesting from him, because he had been held in subjection so long, offered his congratulations upon their having 117,000 members in good standing, his good wishes for their future prosperity closed with a God-bless-you. The other members of committee Comrade Brown, Past-Commander Dep't. of Ohio, Comrade Morgan, Past-Dep't Commander of Vermont each made short speeches and were each answered by the presiding officer. The comrades were each decorated with the souvenir badges of the Convention (Mrs. McHenry presenting to Comrade McHenry the one she had worn thus far during the session), and retired, the convention rising as they passed out.

Ladies, I wish I could read to you the speeches of these three comrades. They would, I feel sure, give you just the inspiration you need for further effort. There is so much that all will enjoy of which I can give you so little that I hope all will procure a copy of the proceedings of the 9th National Convention and read for themselves. When you do, read every page and ponder well, paying special attention to remarks of Annie Wittenmeyer on National Home (pages 222, 223 and 224). One of the most pleasant of our visits of courtesy was from General Hazelton and Surgeon R. L. Leonard, representatives of the Sons of Veterans. Due honor being accorded them, General Hazelton responded as follows:

"Mrs. President, we are sent as a committee from the Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Veterans of the United States, General Leland G. Webb who sends to you his personal greeting, and the greeting of the Sons of Veterans of the United States of America, remarks of any length are perhaps out of place at this time, but you well know that the Sons of Veterans are your boys and they are at your command to do any dnty that you may assign to them. They

are organized because they are your boys without any claim of right or privilege, or benefit for themselves as sons of the old soldiers, except the privilege of assisting the G. A. R. and W. R. C. and keeping alive the memory of the deeds of our fathers. We claim that privilege, that proud distinction and we come to you this morning one hundred thousand strong, entire in numbers to the entire militia service of the United States, equipped as soldiers, with no expense to the State, with no expense to anyone but ourselves. We are proud of the uniform, proud of the service. We will be glad to help you gather your flowers, to help you decorate the graves of the loved ones gone, to do any work you may assign to us." Mrs. McHenry returned the greeting of the Convention to General Webb assuring him that we were very proud of our boys and would always receive them at our Convention and avail ourselves of their offer of assistance in our Work. They were presented with souvenir badges and escorted out, the Convention rising. Ada F. Clark said:

"In view of this special courtesy of the Encampment of the Sons of Veterans, I would move that we send greetings to their encampment, a note of appreciation of this special visit, of course the committee will carry our greetings, but I move that we extend them further by a note from the committee on courtesies sent to their encampment." The following letter was sent:

Detroit, Mich., Aug., 7th, 1891.

GENERAL LELAND G. WEBB,

Commander in Chief, Sons of Veterans.

DEAR SIR:

The ninth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps tendered to the National Encampment of the Sons of Veterans assembled in Minneapolis, cordial greetings. It is with pride and pleasure that the women of this order acknowledge the co-operation of the noble body of young men of which you are the leader and they most heartily endorse the worthy sons of the heroes of the civil war.

To us and to them is entrusted the care of the Veterans together with that most important duty, to inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country. Then

"Muster the brave boys in,
To stay the steps that are slow,
To lift the hearts that are low.
To stand as a guard of might
In a nation's light or might,
Muster them in."

Per order of the 9th Annual Convention W. R. C.

AGUST A. WALES.

Chairman Committee on Courtesies.

Business was again interrupted by the announcement that the newly elected Commander-in-Chief was in the ante-room waiting to pay his respects to the Convention. He was received, greeted and introduced. His greeting had the true ring, closing thus:

"If He who ruleth armies will give me health and strength to do the work that my will prompts me to do, the W. R. C. will find no more loyal assistant, no man more earnest in trying to aid you in the grand work you have undertaken, than the present Commander-in-Chief of the G. A. R."

The National President on behalf of the Convention, thanked him for his words of cheer, assuring him that he had the best wishes of the 117,000 loyal women that surely ought to help him through a vast amount of work.

When you have procured your copy of proceedings of National Convention, read carefully the reports of the several officers. The living mortal that can read the report of National Chaplain without feeling his or her heart stirred to its very depths must indeed have a heart of stone. Read it to your children, you cannot give them a grander lesson in Love of Country. From Massachusetts that sent the noble 6th through Baltimore, the first blood shed on the altar of the Union, comes this memorial:

"Till the mountains are worn out, and the rivers forget to flow, till the clouds are weary of replenishing springs and the springs forget to gush and the rills to sing, shall their names be kept fresh with reverent honors." In Texas, the

Blue and the Gray united in the work of memorial. Whole numbers of soldiers decorated 200, and 2190 graves.

The discussion upon the new ritual will be interesting to all.

The National President announced that the Committee appointed to carry greetings to the 25th National Encampment of the G. A. R., was now ready to report. Mrs. Annie Wittenmeyer spoke as follows:

"Mrs. President, we received a royal welcome at the Encampment. The comrades began to cheer as soon as we entered the doors and kept it up until the Commander-in-Chief called them to order. We made short speeches and every sentence was heartily cheered and at the close they rose to their feet and swung their hats and hurrahed for the W. R. C. General Veazy, as we were going to pass out, drew us back and asked us to bear to you and this Convention his own personal greetings, and to make this statement:

That W. R. C. was the right hand of the G. A. R. and that he wished in the name of every comrade to thank them for their glorious work, and then they cheered and swung their hats and gave three cheers and we came out in a burst of enthusiasm." A letter was received from Mrs. Potter Palmer, President of Board of Lady Managers World's Columbian Exposition also from the National Convention of the Daughters of Veterans.

The election of officers was carried through with the usual compliments and with apparently good feeling. The Convention was not as large as I expected to see.

Total number entitled to seats in Convention was 438.

Total number present - - - - - 280.

We can safely trust our new National President for Commander Van Der Voort says she is one of the grandest women in the United States of America.

General Russell A. Alger was received and presented to the Convention. You well know how grand his greeting was to us but you do not know how much you owe to him. The night of the fireworks he chartered two boats, where every one who wore our badge was welcome, then moved out into the river to witness that grand display, closed by saying that any wish or request signed by the W. R. C. was granted. Greetings of sisterly sympathy were sent to Mrs.

Alger. Later the Convention sent by their presiding officer a floral gift with our kindest love and respect. Later we received a visit from the Commander-in-Chief of Sons of Veterans who could not resist the opportunity to pledge their fidelity. Ladies, with the report sent to G. A. R. by Mary Sears McHenry and acknowledgement due, I close this report trusting that no one will regret entirely that this pleasant duty fell to me, perhaps it will remind you when you come to the election of Delegate-at-large alternate to elect a more able woman.

REPORT OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT OF W. R. C.

TO THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF THE G. A. R.

Detroit Michigan, August, 5th, 1891.

GENERAL WHEELLOCK G. VEAZY.

Commander-in-Chief of G. A. R.

SIR AND COMRADE:

I have the honor to report to you and through you to the 25th National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic the condition and work of the Woman's Relief Corps, for the year ending June 30th, 1891. We have twenty-nine permanent Departments six provisional Departments and twenty-two detached corps, with a total membership of 117,058. Local corps are established in every State in the Union but one, Alabama, and in all the Territories except Indian, Idaho and Alaska, we have also one corps in Montreal, Canada, Auxiliary to Hancock Post, G. A. R.

Amount expended in relief and turned over to

Post during the year,	-	-	-	\$114,164.69
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Amount expended during the eight years of our

Auxiliaryship,	-	-	-	489,452.19
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Balance on hand in National and local treasuries,	-	-	-	168,870.13
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This statement does not include the balance on hand in Department treasuries or the property occupied by the National W. R. C. home. The latter has been increased

by a unanimous vote of the Ohio Legislature at the last session appropriating \$25,000 for our Ohio Cottage.

Allow me as the representative of the National W. R. C. to congratulate you and the G. A. R. upon the silver anniversary of our organization and the grand record of the work during the twenty-five years of its existence and assure you of our continual desire to assist in carrying forward the principles of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY SEARS McHENRY,

National President W. R. C.

HANNAH R. PLYMPTON,

National Secretary,

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Many thanks are due and hereby tendered to Archie Anderson, oldest son of our Past Dep't. President; had it not been for his kindly thoughtfulness I certainly should never have reached that official train.

To Mrs. Howard, our Dep't President, for pass, grateful thanks are tendered.

To General Alger I should like to offer a grateful tribute for what do we not owe him? Does it not show the largeness and generosity of his heart when he said: "Any request signed W. R. C. is granted?"

To this Convention my grateful thanks are due, when one year ago you elected me to fill this office, I little thought that the honors would fall to me and if my report has even in a small measure shown to you the loving care extended to us I am fully repaid.

Respectfully Submitted,

EMMA SMIDLE,

Acting Delegate-at-Large,

Ninth Annual Convention.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE:

MARY L. CARR,

LUCY J. DRESSER,

ALICE T. SMITH,

KATE O'BRIEN,

AMANDA J. BOSWORTH.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

READ BY LAURA S. DODGE,

Laramie, Wyo., April 21st. 1892.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President, W. R. C. of Colo., and Wyo.

According to Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you my report as Chairman of the Executive Board.

Located as I have been, so distant from Department Headquarters, I have been unavoidably absent from Council meetings; the proceedings and results have been read to you by the Secretary. I am glad to report a very prosperous year for our Department, which has extended its borders in various directions.

We believe the work of this Department has been executed with as much economy and judicious management as any of the preceding years of its history. By establishing Department Headquarters at her own home a saving of about seventy-five dollars has been made.

We can report twelve hundred and twenty members in good standing, which shows an increase of nearly two hundred over last year. In justice to our beloved President, we cordially acknowledge her faithfulness in the execution of the various duties of her official position, and it will no doubt give us all pleasure to know that we are each one of us helping to celebrate Mrs. Howard's birthday, which occurs on the 28th, she having passed the half century line by about three years. In speaking of Wyoming, I am happy to say that we still rejoice to claim sister-hood with Colorado in Relief Corps work, and although at the present time it may be said of us that we are in a state of most uncivil war or domestic revolution; and some one by way of sarcasm has called Wyoming the Rustler's Paradise; yet we hope in the near future to lay aside our long range guns and dynamite, beat our swords into pruning hooks and once more behold the dove of peace hovering over us, and that Colorado may never again have reason to blush in claiming Wyoming as sister. We hope at no distant day to welcome you all to our fair little city Laramie in Department Convention. In the two-fold capacity of Chairman of the Executive Board and

Auditing Committee, we have been enabled to gain a knowledge of Department work and form acquaintances which gives us a most exalted opinion of our organization, quickens zeal and patriotism and strengthens faith in our race as *The Women* of our Great Republic. Allow me to offer my hearty thanks for the many courtesies extended to the Executive Board during our administration, and we assure you that the memories of the past year will ever be reviewed with sincere pleasure. And now in conclusion Mrs. President, I ask permission to emphasize the recommendation offered by our Treasurer in her report—For the general good of the Department and convenience of the Executive Board and Auditing Committee, that the Chairman and at least two other members of the board be chosen from the same city or town, or as near each other as possible, which will facilitate prompt attendance upon Council meetings, as well as convenience in Auditing the books.

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.

EMMA S. BARRON,

Chairman, Executive Board,

Dep't. Colorado and Wyoming.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

READ BY LAURA S. DODGE.

Laramie, Wyo., April 21st, 1892.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.

I have the honor to report that Lucy J. Dresser and myself have carefully examined the accounts of the Department Treasurer and found them correct in every particular and withal the neatest and most comprehensive set of books that has ever been brought before our observation. The very efficient and systematic manner in which the Treasurer's and Secretary's accounts have been kept have rendered the duty of Auditing the books one of pleasure rather than labor.

Respectfully Submitted.

EMMA S. BARRON,

*Chairman of the Executive Board and
Auditing Committee.*

LUCY J. DRESSER,

Third member of the Executive Board.

COMMITTEE ON AUDITOR'S REPORT.

MARGELIA E. HAMILTON,
MINNA RISCHÉ,
ETURA O. CLARK,
ELIZA A. WRIGHT,
ANNA MILLER.

REPORT OF CHAIRMAN DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

Denver Colo., April 25th, 1892.

MRS. JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Secretary W. R. C. Department Colo. and Wyo.

DEAR MADAM:

It gives your committee great pleasure to report a little something done toward alleviating the want and suffering of a few of the families of our fast decreasing veterans.

Our work has been confined entirely to Denver, and this field is large enough for our fund, indeed would have been *too* large, had not some of our local Corps come to our assistance. It is to their prompt response to our call, that we have been able to give such immediate aid as seemed necessary in some instances.

We are also very glad to acknowledge the same courtesies from the Ladies' Aid Society, S. of V., and their auxiliary Camps. We have several times, during the past year, asked their assistance in providing for some needy family, and in every instance have found them ready, even glad to be called upon to "lend a helping hand" in caring for our comrades and their families.

Sometimes, while not seeking help, a case would be mentioned in a Society meeting, our young people would eagerly inquire "Why don't you ask us to help?" And while we gladly accepted the proffered aid, we were greatly rejoiced to see the spirit of love and patriotism, which prompted the hearts of our young allies, to care for our old battle-scarred veterans. We feel very proud to bring before this Convention the *fact* that we have such zealous helpers in our glorious work of love.

Your Committee are also under obligations to Captain J.

C. Veatch, almoner for the Central Committee of the G. A. R.; for his kind consideration and wise counsel in the investigations sometimes necessary to avoid imposition, and the alacrity with which he has so readily granted aid in answer to our petitions.

It has been the source of much pleasure, that we have been able, in some measure, to return the compliment by assisting in some of his duties. Our work financially has been small.

We have given aid to six families, aggregating 22 persons. All of them soldiers or their families. We have expended only the small sum of \$50.00 from the Department Treasury, but through the aid of the other organizations before mentioned, we have been able to render more assistance than we could have otherwise done.

It seems a matter of regret, that our Dep't. Relief fund should be so meagre, so small a *share*; and our general fund so far in excess, when the object of our organization is mainly *Charity*. That our usefulness should be crippled by want of funds, when there is plenty of money in the Treasury. It would seem fitting that our Relief Fund should at least be more commensurate with the demand, and in view of this, we would most respectfully recommend that our Department Relief Fund be increased, until said Fund shall comprise one-third of the receipts of the per capita tax, together with whatever donations the generosity of the public may add thereto.

By this means, a Relief Committee could better fulfill the promise, which the name of our Society would suggest, and feel that in very truth we *were* a *Relief corps*.

Very Respectfully, Yours, in F. C. and L.

MARY J. HANDYSIDE,

MARY A. CONDIT.

Committee on Department Relief.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

LIZZIE C. SMITH, *Chairman*,

AMERICA ANDERSON,

LUCY M. CAPRON,

AGNES C. NEFF,

LOUISE BUCKHOLTZ.

Secretary read following communication and telegrams:

OFFICE OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT,

Delavan Ill., Feb. 17th, 1892.

MRS. CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President W. R. C. of Colo. and Wyo.

MY DEAR PRESIDENT:

Many thanks for your kind invitation to be present at your coming Convention. I wish I might be able to meet with your women among the boulders, enjoy the deliberations of your meeting and perhaps pick a few agates in the meantime, but shall be obliged to deny myself this pleasure. Please remember me with much love to your ladies and a wish that your Convention may be crowned with success.

I am in F., C. and L.,

SUE A. PIKE SANDERS,

National President.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, and seconded by Mrs. M. Berwick Anderson that a telegram be sent in response. Motion carried.

New Orleans, La. April 26th, 1892.

EIGHTH CONVENTION ASSEMBLED,

DEP'T COLO., AND WYO. W. R. C.

Greetings: "God be with you."

B. L. CARR,

P. D. C. Colo. and Wyo., G. A. R., St. Charles' Hotel.

Mrs. Cheeseman moved, seconded by America Anderson, that greetings by telegram be returned Past Commander Carr,—Carried.

Letter from Eliza F. Sickles, Pres. W. R. C., No. 43. was read by Mary L. Carr,—regretting her inability to be with us.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, Seconded by Mrs. M. Berwick Anderson, that committee on Fraternal Greetings, send telegrams of regret to the following: Mary Jewett Telford, Augusta B. Henderson, Past Presidents, Dep't. Colo. and

Wyo. W. R. C. also Frances I. Klock, ex-chairman Home Board, Mary J. Handyside, Chairman, Dep't Relief, and Eliza F. Sickles, President, W. R. C. No. 43. —Carried.

Mrs. Carr moved, seconded by Mrs. M. Berwick Anderson, that bill for the above telegrams be paid by May S. Hotchkiss, Dep't. Treasurer, she having a sum belonging to Dep't. which has been received since books were closed.—Carried.

Moved by Mrs. America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Smidle, that speaker must rise and give her name when addressing the chair. Motion carried.

Mrs. Calvert moved, seconded by Mrs. Carr that a committee be appointed to select a uniform badge for future delegates from Department Colo. and Wyo., to wear at National Convention. After some interchange of ideas, motion prevailed.

Moved by Mrs. Cheeseman, Mrs. America Anderson seconded, that a committee of five be appointed by the chair to select the same. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE.

SARAH E. CALVERT,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
EUGENIA OLNEY,
JENNIE SAFELY,
NETTIE BARKER,
MARY E. BARTLETT.

Mrs. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mrs. Hardin that Convention meet at 9:30 A. M.—Carried

Mrs. Dodge announced that exemplification of the Ritual would take place at 7:30 P. M.

Adjourned to meet at 9:30 A. M., Wednesday.

Pursuant to initiation, delegates and visiting members met at Feeny's Hall at 7:30 A. M. to witness the exemplification of the ritual by Nathaniel Lyon Corps, No. 27 of Boulder. Words fail to describe the perfect work. In short it was a pattern, an honor to our Department.

Wednesday—Second Day—Morning Session.

Convention met pursuant to adjournment, at 9:30 A. M. President in the chair, two verses of opening ode were sung, followed by Lord's Prayer, Emily Meredith leading. All present reported members of our Order, roll call 76 responded. Minutes of previous meeting read and accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ADDRESS OF
PRESIDENT.

READ BY LAURA S. DODGE.

Mrs. President and Members of the 8th Annual Convention.

The committee appointed on the address of the Department President, respectfully submit the following:

We have carefully examined the report and feel that we cannot too heartily endorse it, and that a careful study of the same by each and every member of the Department will prove an incentive to greater zeal and energy towards carrying on the work so well begun.

We also commend the careful economy exercised in the expense of the official work of the year.

While we deplore the loss of three corps to the Department, we note with pleasure the formation of three Corps, and the steady growth in membership.

We are glad to learn that the call of the President for donations to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista and the W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio, met with so liberal a response from corps in the state; it must have been a source of great gratification to her. We heartily approve her action in returning the money sent by corps in Wyoming, for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home in Colorado, as Wyoming soldiers' could not be admitted to the home.

We cordially approve the recommendations contained in the address.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

LAURA S. DODGE, *Chairman*,
FANNIE D. HARDIN,
JENNIE MISNER,

Mrs. Coe moved, seconded by Mrs. Calvert, that the same be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF S. V. PRESIDENT.

READ BY ELLA L. C. DWINELL.

Mrs. President of 8th Annual Convention:

We the undersigned most heartily endorse the Report in full of our Department S. V. President, Mrs. Mary L. Carr of McPherson Corps, as a concise and scholarly statement of her work, and would thank her for her conscientious performance of her duties during her official year.

We respectfully submit the above in F. C. and L.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL, *Chairman*,
LORETTA MUMMAH,
JOSIE L. WOODBURY,
LOU FAUST.

Moved by Mrs. Arnold, seconded by Mrs. Newland that the same be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF J. V. PRESIDENT.

READ BY ROSELLA A. GOODRICH.

MRS. CLIMENA HOWARD,

Department President,

Your committee on report of Junior Vice-President, heartily commend it as a brief and concise statement of the work she did.

Respectfully Submitted,

ROSELLA A. GOODRICH,
EMMA SMIDLE,
LYDIA C. YOUNG.

Its adoption was moved by Mrs. Alice T. Smith, seconded by Jennie McGill. Carried.

The Committee on report of Secretary submitted the following:

MRS. CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President, W. R. C.

and Members of the Eighth Annual Convention.

Your Committee on Secretary's Report would say that having examined said report we find it to be very neatly prepared, and explicit in all its details.

Judging from the report the work of the Secretary for the time she has served has been no small task, yet has been faithfully performed, and deserves the approbation, and thanks of this convention.

The gain in numbers of 124 during the year, should be of great encouragement to the department, and while we would endorse the recommendations of the Secretary, we believe if numbers of corps would become more familiar with the Rules and Regulations of the Order, much time might be saved and mistakes avoided. The fourth recommendation regarding members remaining suspended on last report, being written in red ink on blank reports by Secretary, we would heartily endorse and recommend for adoption, believing it would be of great help to corps Secretaries not familiar with the work. Your committee find the report a complete and perfect one, and congratulate the Secretary on the capable manner in which it has been prepared.

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.,

DELLA S. KELSEY,
MARY T. BRENNERGER,
EDITH M. NEWLAND,
MARY A. ELDRIDGE,
CAROLINE L. PARKER M. D.

Mrs. Hardin moved adoption of the same, seconded by Mrs. Calvert.—Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

READ BY LUCY M. CAPRON.

MRS. CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President W. R. C. of Colo. and Wyo.

Your committee on report of May S. Hotchkiss, Department treasurer, submit the following:

That we have carefully examined the report and find it to be correct in every detail, and that it bears evidence of careful and conscientious work in the management of the financial affairs of the Department. We fully endorse the recommendation of the treasurer. In F. C. and L.

LUCY M. CAPRON,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
JESSIE SHARP PURRIER,
LIZZIE M. REYNOLDS,
JENNIE M. SAFELY.

Its adoption moved by Mrs. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Safely. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF CHAPLAIN.

READ BY EMILY MEREDITH.

The committee appointed on the Chaplain's Report find that owing to some mistake, M. M. Crocker Corps, No. 40 North Denver, is not mentioned, although a report of their celebration of Memorial Day was sent to Headquarters. Their Corps attended in full and furnished a great many flowers.

We regret that during the past year so many of our own members have passed to the other side, but note with pleasure, the increasing interest in Memorial Day manifested by the Chaplain's Report. As the years roll by the inspiration of these services must necessarily spring less and less from personal feeling and depend more and more on the patriotic sentiment which honors those who have suffered for their country.

To every sentiment universal in the human breast, there is a sufficient foundation. The interest which always attaches to military affairs, to martial spectacles of all kinds, and the actors therein has often been a source of comment and wonder. "Why" it has been said, "should the man whose trade it is to kill, be the object of so much interest and approval, especially from that half of the human family generally supposed to love 'mercy and not sacrifice.'" To

this query Ruskin has supplied the answer. "The trade of the soldier is not to kill, but to be killed." The soldier, however unconscious he may be of the honor, or how imperfectly he may fill the place is the symbol of protection.

He is our substitute, whose life is offered if necessary as a "ransom for many." Is it not fitting that when his uniform is the symbol not of possible, but of actual benefit he should be honored in life, and afterward his memory and his grave should be kept green?

EMILY R. MEREDITH,
LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
SARAH B. C. STEPHENSON,
LIZZIE E. WYNN,
CATHARINE JONES.

Moved by Mrs. Cheeseman, seconded by Mrs. Carr, that the above be adopted.—Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

READ BY MRS. LANGMEYER.

*Mrs. President, and Members of the 8th Annual Convention,
Department Colorado and Wyoming.*

We the undersigned committee have carefully examined the report of the Department Inspector and recommend it to this convention for adoption, We especially recommend its brevity and conciseness and heartily thank our Inspector for the able manner in which she has performed the duties of her office. We fully endorse her recommendation. In F. C. and L.

FREDERICKA B. LANGMEYER, *Chairman*,
ORPHIE E. BACON,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
LAURA BUCHANAN.

Mrs. McGill moved that the above report be adopted, seconded by Jessie Sharp Purrier. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF I. AND I. OFFICER.

READ BY AMERICA ANDERSON.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

Your committee appointed to review the Instituting and Installing Officer's Report, have carefully examined in detail the same, and respectfully submit the following:

That the report is complete in every detail, and we cannot too highly commend the earnest, able, and successful work of Jennie McGill, our I. and I. Officer, during the year just closed, showing devotion and faithfulness to the trusts committed to her care.

The Committee recommends the adoption of the Report as a whole.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERICA ANDERSON,
LAURA BUCHANAN,
CHARLOTTE R. COE.

Mrs. Hotchkiss moved, Mrs. Dwinell seconded, that report be adopted.—Motion prevailed.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNSELOR'S REPORT.

READ BY EVA G. COFFIN.

Mrs. Climena G. Howard and Members of Eighth Annual Convention:

Your committee on Counselor's report beg leave to submit the following:

The duties of the Counselor for the past year being so seldom called into requisition, the report is necessarily brief but its brevity is to be commended as well as the words of counsel given to us as an Order. Respectfully submitted. In F. C. and L.

EVA G. COFFIN, *Chairman*,
ELLEN B. BILLOW,
PERSIS A. ARNOLD.

Alice T. Smith moved its adoption and Mrs. Mummah seconded. Carried.

COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

READ BY MARY L. CARR.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President, Colo. and Wyo., W. R. C.

We heartily commend the Delegate-at-large in so faithfully describing the many things of interest that came under her notice during her stay in Detroit, and while in attendance upon the Ninth National Convention.

The position is one of the most important to be filled in our Department, and requires judgment and ability in recording that which will prove the most interesting to the members of Department Convention, and while a full report of the proceedings of our National Convention may be found in National Journals, yet the personal observations of one of our own representatives brings the matter more clearly to the minds of those who were not privileged to attend.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARY L. CARR, *Chairman*,
LUCY J. DRESSER,
ALICE T. SMITH,
KATE O'BRIEN,
AMANDA J. BOSWORTH.

Mrs. Dwinell, seconded by Mrs. Brenbarger, moved its adoption.—Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

READ BY MARGELIA E. HAMILTON.

Mrs. President, Officers and Members of 8th Annual Convention:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of Executive Board, would submit the following report. First we

consider it exhaustive, clear and concise in its construction. Second, that the recommendation therein contained, to wit: "That the Chairman and at least two other members of the board be chosen from the same city or town, or as near each other as possible, which will facilitate prompt attendance upon council meetings, as well as convenience in auditing the books," meets with our approval and should be adopted by this Convention.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARGELIA E. HAMILTON,
MINNA RISCHÉ,
ETURA O. CLARK,
ELIZA A. WRIGHT,
ANNA MILLER.

Its adoption moved by Mrs. Hardin, Mrs. Eldredge seconded.—Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON WORK OF DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

READ BY LIZZIE C. SMITH.

MRS. HOWARD,

Department President.

Your Committee has carefully examined the Report of the Chairman of the Relief Committee, and heartily commend the work done during the year. But we do not endorse the recommendation, and hope the Convention will not adopt it, as it would embarrass the Department for the other demands made upon it.

LIZZIE C. SMITH,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
LUCY M. CAPRON,
AGNES C. NEFF,
LOUISA BUCKHOLTZ.

Moved by Mrs. Arnold, seconded by Mrs. Cheeseman, that report of Committee on work of Department Relief be accepted, and the recommendation be not adopted.—Carried.

May S. Hotchkiss read report of articles donated from Corps to Soldiers' and Sailors' Home. Much discussion was held regarding the same. Mrs. Howard asked Mrs. Carr to preside, while she gave a description of the interior of the Hospital. Mrs. Carr followed with more minute information.

Mrs. Howard resumed the chair.

Moved by Mrs. M. Berwick Anderson, seconded by Sarah E. Calvert that 300 copies of Journal of Eighth Department Convention be printed, the same to be large type. Carried.

Secretary read communication from Flo Jameison Miller, editress of the *National Picket* asking that Convention assembled endorse the following Resolution:

WHEREAS, The *National Picket* is published exclusively in the interest of the Woman's Relief Corps and is the only National Journal so published, and,

WHEREAS, its teachings serve to inculcate loyalty and patriotism in our ranks. Therefore,

Resolved, That we the Department W. R. C. of Colo. and Wyo. in convention assembled do give to the *National Picket*, our hearty endorsement.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle and seconded by Mrs. Bartlett that the same be endorsed. Carried.

Adjourned to meet at 1:30 P. M.

Wednesday — Second Day — Afternoon Session.

Convention assembled, at 1:30 P. M. President presiding. All joined in singing one verse, "Old Hundred." Lord's Prayer repeated in unison, led by Emily Meredith. Conductors' reported all present in possession of proper pass-word, roll call 89.

Minutes of morning session read and accepted.

Order of business suspended to allow Dr. Dodge, Chairman Entertainment Committee, to distribute souvenirs. Guard announced delegation, with greetings from Thirteenth Annual Encampment. Comrades, Coulter, Browning, and Olney, were escorted to the platform, the President bidding them welcome in a few well chosen words, to which each responded appropriately.

The visitors retired amidst applause, convoyed by Mesdames Olive Hogle, Mary E. Bartlett, and Laura Buchanan.

Regular business resumed.

President declared election of Officers for the ensuing year in order. The following ladies were appointed tellers, Jennie G. Harper, Della Kelsey, Lucy Capron.

Lizzie C. Smith, invited to assist Secretary.

Nominations were made for Department President. Mrs. Howard nominated by Mrs. Calvert, seconded by Alice T. Smith. Mrs. Howard declined, expressing thanks for the compliment.

Lizzie C. Smith, nominated Mary L. Carr, seconded by M. Berwick Anderson.

President declared nominations closed; moved by Mrs. Hotchkiss, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, that election be unanimous.—Carried.

Mrs. Carr was elected by a rising vote, with applause, secretary casting the ballot.

Motion carried that order of business be suspended for ten minutes, made by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Safely.

Business resumed.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by Mrs. Olney, that when parade passes, we shall be at liberty to rise and view the same.—Carried.

Parade passed and order restored.

Secretary reported 84 delegates and Department Officers entitled to votes.

Nominations in order for Senior Vice-President, Mrs. Dwinell nominated Laura S. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Sutton.

Mrs. Woodbury moved, seconded by Mrs. Safely, that nominations be closed.—Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that the election of Mrs. Dodge be made unanimous.—Carried. Mrs. Dodge was declared elected, Secretary casting ballot.

Junior Vice-President, next in order, Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. Sanford, Mrs. Hogle seconded.

Mrs. McGill, nominated by Mrs. Faust, seconded by Mrs. Hassen.

Mrs. America Anderson, nominated Mrs. Billow, Mrs. Calvert seconded.

Nominations declared closed.

Mrs. Cheeseman moved, Mrs. Condit seconded, that tellers be instructed to leave the room, when counting result of the ballot.—Carried.

While tellers were occupied, Committee on Courtesies presented bill of \$3.00, for telegrams, stationery and postage.

Mrs. Dwinell moved, seconded by Mrs. Purrier, that the same be allowed.—Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Olney, seconded by Lizzie C. Smith, that the following resolution be sent to Tenth National Convention.

That each Department shall regulate its own rule prescribing the age of children that may be admitted to Corps meetings.—Unanimously endorsed.

Tellers reported 84 votes cast;—Necessary to a choice, 43. Mrs. Sanford, 48; Mrs. Billow, 29; Mrs. McGill, 7.—Mrs. Sanford declared elected.

Treasurer nominations in order. Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Hotchkiss, seconded by Mrs. Dodge. Mrs. Hardin

moved that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Hotchkiss be elected by acclamation, seconded by Mrs. Newland. Carried. Mrs. Hotchkiss declared elected.

Chaplain, next in order. Mrs. Condit was nominated by Mrs. Calvert, seconded by Mrs. McGill. Mrs. Hogle moved, Mrs. Dwinell seconded, that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot, and her election be made unanimous. Carried.

Executive Board—Chairman. Janette Todd was nominated by America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Whist. Moved by Mrs. Smidle, seconded by Mrs. Dwinell that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot, and her election be made unanimous. Carried. Mrs. Todd was declared elected.

Executive Board—No. 2. Mrs. Hardin nominated Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Goodrich. Mrs. Eldredge was nominated by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hogle. Mrs. Capron nominated Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Arnold. Mrs. M. Berwick Anderson was nominated by Mrs. Dwinell, seconded by America Anderson.

Nominations declared closed.

Candidates invited to the platform and introduced.

Tellers reported 68 votes cast;—Necessary to a choice 35. Mrs. Anderson, 27. Campbell, 17. McGill, 13. Eldredge, 11.—no election.

Mrs. Eldredge and Mrs. McGill withdrew.

Second ballot—votes cast, 62; —Necessary to a choice, 32. Mrs. Lucy Campbell, 34. M. Berwick Anderson, 28. Lucy M. Campbell declared elected.

Mrs. Olney moved, seconded by Mrs. Hogle, that the following be sent to Tenth National Convention:

That members in attendance at Department Conventions from distant Corps, may fill vacancies occasioned by

absence of delegates or alternates, when vouched for by their respective Corps Presidents.— Endorsed unanimously.

Adjournment declared until 8 A. M. Thursday.

Thursday—Third Day—Morning Session.

Convention opened pursuant to adjournment at 8 A. M. President in the chair. One verse of America was sung, led by Mrs. Feeny, Emily Meredith leading in prayer. Roll call to which 79 responded. Conductors reported all present members of our Order. Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

President declared nominations for third member of the Executive Board next in order.

Mrs. Baker was nominated by Mrs. Meredith, seconded by Mrs. Dodge. Mrs. Hotchkiss nominated Mrs. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Calvert. Mrs. Bacon withdrew. Mrs. Dwinell moved that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot, and that Mrs. Baker be elected by acclamation, seconded by Mrs. Dresser. Carried. Mrs. Baker declared elected.

President declared next in order, nominations for fourth member of Executive Board. Mrs. Baker was nominated by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Harper. Mrs. Todd moved, and Mrs. Smidle seconded, that nominations be closed, and secretary cast the ballot, and she be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Baker declared elected.

President announced nominations in order for fifth member Executive Board.

Mrs. Cheeseman nominated Mrs. Searl, seconded by Mrs. Calvert. Mrs. America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Dodge, nominated M. Berwick Anderson.

Mrs. Mary Campbell, nominated Mrs. Buchanan, seconded by Mrs. Barker.

Nominations declared closed.

Tellers announced whole number votes cast, 69;—Necessary to a choice, 35. Mrs. Anderson, 43; Mrs. Buchanan, 19, Mrs. Searl, 7. Mrs. Anderson declared elected.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

READ BY SARAH E. CALVERT.

To the officers and members of the Eighth Annual Convention W. R. C., Colo. and Wyo.

The undersigned committee appointed to express the thanks of this convention, would respectfully submit the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this convention are due to Nathaniel Lyon Corps for the many courtesies extended to its members and for the genuine hospitality shown to all who wear our badge, feeling sure that the members of this Corps exemplify the motto of our order, Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

That the thanks of this convention are due to Nathaniel Lyon Post for assisting in furnishing entertainment in connection with the corps.

That the thanks of this convention and the visiting members of our order be most cordially extended to the committee, who had the work in charge, of presenting such a beautiful souvenir of your delightful little city.

That we thank the editors of *The Rocky Mountain Herald*, for so generously sending without charge a copy of that paper to each Corps president in this Department during this last year.

Moved by Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Mrs. Carr, that the report be accepted, and the committee be discharged with sincere thanks. Carried.

Mrs. Bartlett moved that committee furnish a copy of above Resolutions for publication in the newspapers of Boulder. Seconded by Miss Fisher. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Sanford, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, that a copy of same be furnished *The Rocky Mountain Herald*.—Carried.

Mrs. Coe moved, Mrs. Carr seconded, that a copy also be sent *The Transcript* of Golden. Carried.

Committee on Courtesies reported that they were received with enthusiasm, by the members of Tenth Annual Encampment, Department Colorado and Wyoming, especially when reading report of work done during the year. The following were then presented by Olive Hogle, Chairman of Committee.

Commander Cook and Members of the Thirteenth Annual Convention:

In behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps, we are here to-day to extend greetings from the Eighth Department Convention. We feel we voice the sentiment of the organization, when we assure you that to us is granted the highest privilege attainable to the women of our day, that of giving aid and sympathy to the heroes of the greatest war of this century. On the 12th day of April 1861, the bombardment began at Fort Sumpter, that was heard all over this country; it was so loud that it awakened the loyal spirit of every patriot in the whole land, and soon the tramp, tramp of the soldier was heard pushing forward to the front in defense of our beloved country, and while our loved ones went forth at the call of the immortal Lincoln as commander-in-chief, the loyal women were not idle, nor neglectful of the duty they owed in that terrible strife, and they encouraged the brave defenders, by showing their sympathy. And as in the days of the war, we saw the youthful soldier depart, invested with all the love and romance of our girlish imagination, now in mature years he is regarded with reverence and sympathy, and feeling for the dead are mingled with loving respect for the living. And from all this has sprung two of the grandest organizations on earth, the first the Grand Army of the Republic, and second the Woman's Relief Corps.

Since it was our pleasure to greet you only twelve months ago at Manitou, the great grim reaper has been busy

in the ranks of the Grand Army, to him unknown in war beyond his squad, to those whose duty it was to lead for each and all the bells gave forth their muffled sound, and they have taken shelter in those low green tents whose curtains never outward swung.

Yes, it is a great host beyond that star-lit line. Hundreds have gone to join the company of the dead. But to them the door of life is opened, and their names are shining on the roll of the immortals with the thanks of the rescued, the homage of all who love liberty, and the gratitude of an unbroken country, a name rendered fadeless forever.

It hath been said (but how sad) that this republic rises on the glorious achievements of its dead and living heroes, to a higher and nobler life. And now in conclusion we wish to pledge anew our fidelity and loyalty to the grand army, and may every post in Colorado and Wyoming, have by its side a corps as its aid in all its works of beneficence. Let us show you by our woman's faith and work which was your bow of promise in the darker days, still follow you with increasing kindness, only asking leave to serve your cause with all that appertains to the general upbuilding of your beloved order. If He who ruleth over all will grant power and prosperity to the Woman's Relief Corps, that we may be enabled to do the work for the Grand Army which our will prompts us to do. And it is our earnest wish that we may continually enlarge the horizon of our labors, as the years widen out before us, and one of our country's brave defenders left to care for.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder, Colo., April 27th, 1892.

MR. CARR,

Past Department Commander, G. A. R.

Sincere thanks for kindly remembrance of the W. R. C.

Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

From 8th Department Convention.

. Boulder, Colo., April 27th, 1892.

SUE A. PIKE SAUNDERS,

National President, W. R. C.

With thanks for kindly greeting, we deeply regret your absence. Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder Colo., April 27th, 1892.

MARY JEWETT TELFORD,

Past Department President.

MY DEAR MADAM:

The Eighth Annual convention of the W. R. C. now in session at Boulder, send loving and sisterly greeting to you. Missing your friendly face from among us, your name is heard in accents of regret. May you remember us as we do you, and may it not be long before we see you again in our midst as of old.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder Colo., April 27th, 1892.

MRS. HENDERSON,

Past Department President.

DEAR MADAM:

Friendly greetings from the Eighth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. Your long and efficient work among us is not forgotten, and many are the kindly thoughts from all which are wafted eastward from these pine-clad hills of Boulder. May it be our good fortune to see you back with us again in friendly communion as of yore.

Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder Colo., April 27th, 1892.

MRS. FRANCES J. KLOCK,

Past Chairman of Soldiers' Home Board.

DEAR MADAM:

Accept greetings from the Eighth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. It is with sorrow we learn of your prolonged sickness which deprives us of the pleasure of your presence among us, and sincerely hope your hours of pain be few and short, and that the remembrance of happy days spent with your sister workers may lighten many a weary hour. It also gladdens our hearts to hear of a decided improvement in your health, and that we may hope to meet you at our next convention. Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder Colo., April 27th, 1892.

MRS. HANDYSIDE,

Chairman Department Relief Committee.

DEAR MADAM:

The Eighth Annual Convention of W. R. C., extend friendly greeting, and regret that unavoidable circumstances prevented your meeting with them.

Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Boulder, Colo., April 27th, 1892.

ELIZA F. SICKLES,

President, Joe Hooker Corps, No. 43, Monte Vista.

DEAR MADAM:

It is a matter of congratulation that your Corps, though young, is inspired with the true spirit of the order. We predict a bright future for your little band, and extend our cordial greetings, believing that you will ever grow and prosper. Yours in F. C. and L.

OLIVE HOGLE,

MARY E. BARTLETT,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Cheeseman, seconded by Mrs. Lizzie C. Smith, that report be adopted as a whole, thanks be extended and committee discharged. Carried.

President announced nominations for delegate-at-large next in order.

Mrs. Olney nominated Mrs. Meredith, seconded by Mrs. Purrier.

Mrs. Bartlett was nominated by Mrs. Cheeseman, seconded by Miss Fisher.

Nominations closed.

Tellers announced 79 votes cast;—necessary to a choice 40. Mrs. Meredith 58. Mrs. Bartlett 21. Mrs. Meredith declared elected.

First Delegate next in order. Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Bartlett, seconded by Mrs. Cheeseman. Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Bartlett be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Bartlett elected.

Second Delegate announced in order by president. Mrs. America Anderson nominated Margelia Hamilton, seconded by Mrs. McGill. Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Harper, that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot and she be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Hamilton declared elected.

Nominations for Alternate-at-large in order. Mrs. Hotchkiss nominated Mrs. Olney, seconded by Mrs. Purrier. Moved by Mrs. Mummah, seconded by M. Berwick Anderson that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot and she be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Olney was duly declared elected.

First Alternate next in order. Mrs. Carr nominated Mrs. Coe, seconded by Mrs. Hogle and others. Mrs. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mrs. Dwinell that nominations be

closed, secretary cast the ballot and she be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Coe duly elected.

President announced nominations for second Alternate in order. Mrs. Kennedy nominated Mrs. Woodard, seconded by America Anderson. Mrs. Hotchkiss moved, seconded by Mrs. McGill that nominations be closed, secretary cast the ballot and she be elected by acclamation. Carried. Mrs. Woodard declared to be elected second Alternate.

Committee on Badges reported as follows:

We your committee for design of badge for the use of delegates to future National Conventions submit the following:

Body of black ribbon, on which shall be inscribed Colo. and Wyo., with a miniature representation of Pike's Peak, either in colors or silver, surmounted by a bar of Gunnison marble, suspended from which shall be a silver brick, inscribed W. R. C., supported by a chain of the same metal. The bottom to be finished with silver fringe.

SARAH E. CALVERT, *Chairman*,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
EUGENIA OLNEY,
JENNIE SAFELY,
NETTIE PARKER,
MARY E. BARTLETT.

On motion the above was adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by Mrs. America Anderson, that president-elect shall nominate and petition the governor to appoint on the "Home Commission" a member of the Woman's Relief Corps. Carried.

Thanks of the Convention were extended May S. Hotchkiss, Department Treasurer, and Josephine A. Cheeseman, Department Secretary, for efficient work during the past year.

Minutes of last session read and accepted.

Moved and seconded that we proceed to installation of officers. Carried.

America Anderson, P. D. P., assisted by Jennie McGill, P. D. I. & I. Officer as conductor, installed the following officers:

President, Mary L. Carr, Longmont.
Senior Vice President, Laura S. Dodge, Boulder.
Junior Vice President, Mina Sandford, Pueblo.
Secretary, Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont.
Treasurer, May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley.
Chaplain, Mary Condit, Denver.
Inspector, Jessie Sharp Purrier, Gunnison.
C. I. & I. Officer, Ellen Billow, Lamar.
Counselor, Climenta G. Howard, Greeley.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

First, Janette Todd, Chairman, Denver.
Second, Lucy M. Campbell, Denver.
Third, Elnora Baker, Fort Collins.
Fourth, Orphie Bacon, Longmont.
Fifth, M. Berwick Anderson, Boulder.
All were present and installed.

List of delegates to Tenth National Convention as follows:

Delegate-at-large, Emily Meredith, Denver.
First Delegate, Mary E. Bartlett, Cheyenne, Wyo.
Second Delegate, Margelia Hamilton, Denver, Colo.
Alternate-at-large, Eugenia Olney, Gunnison.
First Alternate, Charlotte R. Coe, Golden.
Second Alternate, Ann Eliza Woodard, Tie Siding, Wyo.

Mrs. Hotchkiss moved, seconded by Mrs. Dodge, that a vote of thanks be extended Mrs. McGill for her assistance in the above installation. Carried. Vote of thanks also given to Mrs. Anderson for her efficient work of the past half hour.

A pleasant episode next occurred as Mrs. Dodge stepped forward and said:

MRS. PRESIDENT:

I feel that Mrs. Howard has not been on duty quite long enough, nor has she been imposed upon quite to the full extent of our ability in that direction.

MRS. HOWARD:

We appreciate most keenly and kindly the wonderful patience and uniform courtesy with which you have always treated your associate officers and members of the Order throughout the Department and carried on the business of the year.

We have never had reason to complain of your tardiness in one single instance, but we are afraid you may feel the necessity of letting yourself down, as we say, after this year of hard and perplexing work, and allow yourself the luxury of being behind time once in a while,—so I am requested to present you with this timepiece, (an elegant gold watch and chain in a handsome case), on behalf of the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming. We are most happy to help you celebrate your birthday in this manner and wish you many happy returns of the day.

Mrs. Howard was almost overcome with emotion. She replied as follows:

MRS. DODGE:

How can I find words to express my thanks for this beautiful and costly gift?

During this year, I have been five minutes late to a train and late to Corps meetings. I trust that this will always keep me on time. It will be a precious souvenir of this year's work. I thank you all.

Mrs. Carr, President elect, was then presented with a lovely basket of cut flowers from the members of W. R. C., No. 27 of Boulder. She accepted the gift with a few graceful and appropriate words.

There being no further business, on motion the Eighth Convention closed *sine die*.

Proceedings • of • Council.

Manitou Springs, April 29th, 1891.

First Council meeting was called to order by Department President, Climena G. Howard. There were present Mesdames Carr, Smith, Hotchkiss, Thornton, Anderson, Goodrich, McGill and Cheeseman. Of the Executive Board, Mesdames Barron, Dodge, Dresser, Davis and Dwinell.

Expenses of National President and Secretary, then attendant at Department Convention, considered. Motion by Ella L. C. Dwinell, seconded by Jennie McGill, that said expenses be paid from funds in Department treasury. Motion prevailed.

It was then stated that a desk and five chairs were at the home of retiring President; question raised as to their disposal. Moved by Josephine A. Cheeseman, seconded by May S. Hotchkiss, that desk and chairs be sold, also that President appoint a committee for sale of same. Carried.

President selected the following ladies as committee on above: America Anderson and Jennie McGill. Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that we adjourn until called specially. Carried.

Greeley, June 15, 1891.

Pursuant to call the second council meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Hotchkiss, Climena G. Howard, Department President, presiding.

There were present Mesdames Howard, Hotchkiss, Dresser and Cheeseman.

Minutes of last meeting read and approved.

Moved by Lucy J. Dresser, seconded by May S. Hotchkiss, that the furniture and belongings of the temporary

Soldiers' Home, recently closed at Golden, be placed at once in the custody of John A. Lennon, Chairman of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Commission, he to give receipt and pay all charges for removal of the same. Carried by those present.

Due notice having been sent each member of council of said motion, letters in favor of the above were read from Mary L. Carr, Lizzie C. Smith, Rosella A. Goodrich, Jennie McGill, Sarah Barron, Laura S. Dodge, Ella L. C. Dwinell and Nellie Doris.

Meeting adjourned subject to call.

Denver, Oct., 29th, 1891.

The third Council meeting, pursuant to call, was held in parlor five, Woman's Christian Association, Department President Climena G. Howard, presiding.

There were present Mesdames Carr, Hotchkiss, Anderson, McGill, Dresser and Cheeseman.

The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

President read letter from Mrs. A. W. Phillips, inquiring if Department Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. objected to the exhibition for sale of tickets in Denver for the drawing of two silk quilts made by the ladies of Breckenridge, the proceeds of sale to aid in payment of debt on G. A. R. Hall in town aforesaid.

Mrs. Carr moved, seconded by Mrs. Anderson that Department has no jurisdiction in the matter. Carried.

Communication read from Mrs. Daniel Applegate, of Boston, Baca County, Colorado, asking aid for educating a soldier's daughter residing in that town. Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Dresser, that letter be laid on the table. Motion prevailed.

After some discussion the following was moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, that when Department

President is fully assured that the money contributed by corps, in Department of Colorado, to aid in furnishing Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, will be judiciously expended for same, full authority be granted her to turn over to treasurer of Home association the moneys thus contributed, taking treasurer's receipt therefor. Carried.

Adjourned subject to call.

Boulder, Colo., April 25, 1892.

At call of the president, fourth Council meeting was held in Parlor 5, Bowen House, Boulder, April 25, 1892, Climenta G. Howard in the chair. There were present Mesdames Howard, Carr, Smith, Hotchkiss, McGill, Dresser, Dodge and Cheeseman.

All joined in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

Minutes of last meeting read and accepted.

Mrs. Carr moved and Mrs. Hotchkiss seconded that rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter) belonging to disbanded corps, be sold at regular prices. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Cheeseman and seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss that charters and books of secretary and treasurer, belonging to corps disbanded, be burned by the incoming administration. Carried.

Committee for sale of chairs and desk belonging to Department, reported that a reasonable price had not been offered for same, therefore they are yet in possession of Past Department President America Anderson.

Moved by Mrs. Carr and seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss that report of the committee be accepted. Carried.

Mrs. Dresser moved and Mrs. Dodge seconded that Council adjourn *sine die*. Motion prevailed.

I hereby certify that to the best of my ability this is a true record of the proceedings of the Eighth Annual Con-

vention; Department Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C.,
Auxiliary to the G. A. R.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
Department Secretary.



Decisions

EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C.

First, that rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter,) belonging to corps disbanded be sold at regular prices.

Second, that charters and books of Secretary and Treasurer belonging to disbanded corps, be burned by the incoming administration.

Third, that the newly elected President appoint a committee to examine the accumulation of letters, reports and printed matter, and burn that which is useless to the Department.

Fourth, that the President elect be furnished with a copy of Decisions of Eighth Department Convention within fifteen days after its adjournment.

Fifth, that the rate of representation to Department Convention, remain the same—one for every twenty members, and one additional for the final fraction, of more than one-half that number.

Sixth, that the per capita remain at fifteen cents per quarter.

Seventh, that corps meet at least twice a month.

Eighth, that all orders for supplies be sent directly to the Department Treasurer.

Ninth, that at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of the Department books and accounts.

Tenth, that corps' quarterly reports be filled on day of last meeting in quarter, the same to be enclosed in one

envelope and forwarded without delay to Department Secretary.

Eleventh, that corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year, that each corps purchase a letter-book for above purpose.

Twelfth, that Department Secretary in distributing quarterly blanks to corps Secretaries, shall indicate in *red ink* on *line fifteen, form A*.—"number remaining suspended last report," which shall not be changed. The same to be a copy of column sixteen, on Consolidated Report of previous quarter.

Thirteenth, that a Red Book be purchased at once by every corps in this Department, for the use of officers especially. By so doing, much valuable time and postage may be saved.

Fourteenth, that corps having books more than three years old, purchase new, with specimen sheets having work of treasurers in full.

Fifteenth, that a committee of five be appointed to design a badge, for use of delegates to future National Conventions.

Sixteenth, that the president-elect shall nominate and petition the governor to appoint on the "Home Commission" a member of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Recommendations

ENDORSED BY EIGHTH CONVENTION, DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, FOR CONSIDERATION AT TENTH NATIONAL CONVENTION, W. R. C.

First, that each department shall regulate its own rule prescribing the age of children that may be admitted to corps meetings.

Second, that members from distant corps may fill vacancies occasioned by the absence of delegates or alternates at Department Conventions, when vouched for by their respective Corps Presidents.



Unofficial Proceedings.

The arrangements in Boulder for the entertainment of the delegates to the G. A. R. Encampment and W. R. C. Convention were complete and satisfactory; every one vied in doing honor to the "boys in blue" and their auxiliary.

Decorations were profuse, varied and appropriate; Feeny's Hall being literally lined with blossoming plants and patriotic designs.

Tuesday evening, Nathaniel Lyon Corps, No. 27, gave a reception to the visiting members W. R. C., G. A. R. and prominent people of the town. An interesting programme was rendered, after which refreshments were served.

During the afternoon of Wednesday, beautiful souvenirs were distributed to all delegates and members from abroad,

for which sincere thanks are due the entertainment committee.

A camp-fire was held in the Rink on the evening of the 27th, at which time Mayor Bond formally welcomed the visitors. He said :

Soldiers of the Grand Army of the Republic and Members of the Woman's Relief Corps :

The selection of Boulder as the place of this gathering was a compliment to our city. I desire to express the city's appreciation of this honor, and to assure you that our citizens extend to you all a hearty welcome.

The organizations which you represent, are dear to the heart of every American citizen. Their very existence is a lesson of kindness and patriotism.

Soldiers, more than a quarter of a century has passed since you, in the strength of early manhood, responded to your country's call. Already, upon the stage of active life, there is a younger generation who cannot remember the times made sacred by the services you rendered, the hardships you endured and the victories you won. Soon, very soon, the period in which our national existence was assailed, will fade from the memory of all who live. History alone will record the dangers encountered, the sacrifices made and the glorious results achieved.

Think not that, as time passes, a grateful people will forget to honor the memory of Union soldiers. The very nation will be their monument. So long as this nation exists, and so long as anywhere on earth there is one champion of human rights, the heroic efforts by which our national life was preserved, and by which a race was redeemed from bondage, will be remembered, revered and cherished.

You have associated yourselves together, not to perpetuate the bitterness of the struggle, not even to rejoice in the splendid triumphs you have achieved; but rather to keep alive all the tender remembrances of your companionship, and to extend a helping hand to the comrades who become weary in life's long march. Human experience knows no duties more sacred and, I believe, no enjoyment more pleasant than those connected with your association.

Ladies of the Relief Corps:

It gives me much pleasure to welcome you to Boulder. Deeds of heroism are not limited to the battle field. The services in which you are enlisted, calls for every quality of mind and soul that marks the hero. How well that service is performed by your organization, is known in every hamlet throughout the land. No words of mine can add to your laurels.

The relief of human suffering is the sweetest and noblest work for human hands. In that field of labor, woman is far superior to her brother, man. I congratulate you, ladies, upon the success that has attended your untiring efforts. To-day, in every part of America the Woman's Relief Corps is recognized as a powerful agent for the welfare of humanity.

Ladies and Soldiers:

Representatives of your respective organizations in Wyoming and Colorado; we again welcome you to our little city. We assure you that your presence here affords us pleasure, and we earnestly hope, when you return to your homes, you will be able to carry with you pleasant recollections of your visit.

General Cook followed with a hearty response.

Dr. Dodge told some thrilling incidents and personal experiences of the war.

An elaborate programme had been arranged, but owing to the impossibility of two bodies occupying the same space at the same time, it was somewhat marred in the execution, yet all did admirably under the circumstances. Cook's Drum Corps of Denver rendered several selections in a faultless manner. The military evolutions executed by Julia Dent-Grant Tent No. 1, Daughters of Veterans, of Greeley, were pronounced by competent judges to be perfect in detail. M. E. Chase, the drill-master, deserves much credit for his careful and thorough work.

Among the various pleasant remembrances of our sojourn in Boulder will be the delightful carriage-ride on the

afternoon of Thursday, accorded the ladies attending the convention. It was the happy finale of a generous series of entertainments tendered by the good people of the American Tyrol.

Salute!!



General Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., May 4, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,

NO. I.

I. To the representatives of the Seventh Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming: My thanks are due and are hereby tendered, for the confidence placed in me, by the bestowal of the highest office in the Department.

In assuming its duties and attempting to perform them I shall need and ask the sympathetic aid of every member.

II. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Greeley, Colo.

III. Josephine A. Cheeseman is hereby appointed Department Secretary.

IV. All orders and communications in regard to supplies must be sent on the 1st and 15th of each month, to the Department Treasurer, May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Colo.

V. Officers elected and additional appointments will be announced in future orders.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAM,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., May 4, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 2.

Another year has been added to our national life.

Again does nature throw her green and flowery veil over trench and fortification, leaving less apparent their deadly purposes. The harsher features of war are suffered to pass from our minds, but the flower of patriotism, we trust, never bloomed more beautifully than it does to-day.

Our heroes, who gave to their country and to posterity all that was best and dearest, have passed beyond our personal tributes of regard and affection, but we may testify to the beauty and completeness of their immeasurable sacrifices, by teaching the children the meaning of Memorial Day as we cover the soldiers' graves with fragrant flowers, and heap the mounds of choicest blossoms, in memory of those whose graves are far distant or unknown.

It seems especially fitting that children should have a part in these beautiful ceremonies.

I commend to you the thought of our National President that each Auxiliary strive to lighten the burdens of those whom it is "Our mission to serve," by gathering and preparing these mute mementoes of love and loyalty in such abundance, that no veteran's last resting place need lack its tribute of patriotic remembrance.

II. Corps Presidents will enjoin upon the Corps Chaplains the necessity of prompt returns on "Memorial-Day Blanks," to the Department Chaplain, Mrs. Christina Thornton, Manitou Springs, Colo., immediately after Memorial Day, who will consolidate the same, and forward without delay to the National Chaplain, Emily V. Littlefield, Bangor, Maine.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,
Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., May 15, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,

No. 3.

The Seventh Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps held at Manitou Springs. April 28 and 29, 1891, elected the following officers:

Department President, Climenta G. Howard, Greeley, Colo.

Department Senior Vice President, Mary L. Carr, Longmont, Colo.

Department Junior Vice President, Lizzie C. Smith, Salida, Colo.

Department Chaplain, Christina Thornton, Manitou Springs, Colo.

Department Treasurer, May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, Colo.

Executive Board. { Sarah E. Barron, Laramie, Wyo.
Laura S. Dodge, Boulder, Colo.
Lucy J. Dresser, Greeley, Colo.
E. L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs.
Nellie Davis, Tie Siding, Wyo.

Delegate-at-Large, Frances E. Hale, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Alternate-at-Large, Margelia Hamilton, Denver, Colo.

Delegate, Sarah E. Calvert, Denver, Colo.

Alternate, Emma Smidle, Denver, Colo.

The following appointments have been made:

Secretary, Josephine A. Cheeseman, Greeley, Colo.

Inspector, Rosella A. Goodrich, Red Cliff, Colo.

Chief I. and I. Officer, Jennie McGill, Denver, Colo.

Counselor, America Anderson, Denver, Colo.

All officers elected and appointed, having been regularly installed will be obeyed accordingly; their predecessors are hereby relieved.

The two days' session of the Department Convention, at Manitou Springs, April 28 and 29, presided over by America Anderson, was characterized by prompt business dispatch.

The records of the last administration show it to have been one of marked prosperity. Twelve corps have been organized during the year. From four to six comrades have been maintained at the Temporary Soldiers' Home at Golden, at an expense of \$1,261.10, \$600 of which has been paid by the Grand Army of this Department and \$661.10 by voluntary contributions from the corps. We have in the hands of Corps Treasurers the sum of \$2,142.94 and our Department Treasurer has \$600.25, making a total of \$2,742.19, and Corps' property valued at \$4,878.20. Amount expended for relief during the year \$3,041.30.

By the united efforts of all members, the coming year may be made to show as good a record. To that end let us work.

The officers elect were honored by being installed by our National President, Mary Sears McHenry, aided by her Secretary, Hannah R. Plimpton. Katherine C. Kennedy and Mary Jewett Telford, Past Department Presidents, were honored members of the Seventh Convention.

By the interchange of fraternal greetings with the grandest organization of our country—The Grand Army of the Republic—we received new incentive to "Forward, March."

The following decisions have been received from the Department Secretary:

I. The per capita tax is changed from twenty cents per member to fifteen cents.

II. The Temporary Soldiers' Home at Golden is to be closed at once.

III. That one and one-half per cent. of per capita tax, received each quarter, be placed in the Department Relief Fund, so that aid can be rendered without calling upon corps.

IV. That the "Key to Smith's Diagram of Parliamentary Usage" be procured by each Corps President, in order that a more uniform ruling by presiding officers may be practiced.

V. That a souvenir badge be adopted, to be worn by the delegates and visitors from this Department to the coming National Convention.

VI. That a committee be appointed by Department President to select a suitable design, and that it be furnished free of cost to all regular delegates and sold to visiting members at a price to be named by the Department Council.

VII. That Corps Treasurers forward all orders for supplies on the first and fifteenth of each month. Also send postage to prepay the same.

VIII. All moneys must be made payable to Department Treasurer.

IX. That the proceedings of the Convention be published.

The following committees are announced :

DEPARTMENT RELIEF WORK.

Mary J. Handyside, 1023 Grey street, Denver, Colo.

Mary Condit, Denver, Colo.

Lida E. Fitch, Laramie, Wyo.

COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL CONVENTION SOUVENIR BADGE.

Katherine C. Kennedy.

Mary Jewett Telford.

America Anderson.

PRESS COMMITTEE.

Eugenia Olney, Gunnison, Colo.

Sarah E. Barron, Laramie, Wyo.

The Press Committee will aid in filling the weekly column in the *Rocky Mountain Herald*, which the editor has kindly offered the Woman's Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming. Any item of general interest relating to the "Good of Our Order" will be gladly received by the Department President, from any member in the Department.

This paper is the official organ of the G. A. R.

I suggest that each corps subscribe for the *Rocky Mountain Herald*, that the Department W. R. C. column can be read by every member.

Apply to Headquarters for "Smith's Diagram of Parliamentary Usage". Price 65 cents.

A "Roll of Honor" is hereby established for all corps

sending correct reports of both secretary and treasurer on or before the fifth day after the close of each quarter.

All Posts desiring information concerning the forming of Auxiliary Corps will please send to Department Headquarters W. R. C. and instruction will be cheerfully forwarded.

The following aides are hereby appointed on the staff of the president :

Lovina Carpenter,	Mary A. Huntress,
Mary A. Eldredge,	Ella D. Low,
Susie J. Searl,	Salome Jones,
Harriet E. Abbey,	Liza Stukey,
Mary Warner,	Lucy Langdell,
Maggie Hoover,	Nellie Flint,
Carrie E. Phillips,	Olivia Mandeville,
Frances P. Boulware,	Carrie S. Cooper,
Harriet Settle,	Nellie E. Brooker,
Nellie L. Bailey,	Fredericka Langmeyer.
Dorcas A. Hassen,	Martha L. Daniels,

Adelia Macauley.

With strong love for our Order and an earnest desire to maintain its principles, I hope to sustain the standard reached by my able predecessors, that the Department of Colorado and Wyoming may take no backward step during the year before us.

In F. C. and L. By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., June 16, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,

No. 4.

On account of the National Convention meeting a week earlier than usual—August 3d, 1891—it is necessary that all reports from this Department be forwarded to the National Secretary one week earlier than usual. In order that this may be done each Corps Secretary's and Treasurer's reports must be sent to the Department Secretary on or before July 1st, 1891; not only promptly, but correctly, as there will be no time to return them for correction. The per capita tax, at 15 cents per member must be sent with them, payable to Department Treasurer.

The Corps President, Secretary and Treasurer should meet with the Finance Committee and thoroughly examine their books and accounts immediately after the last meeting of the quarter.

Membership and amount expended for relief, as reported by the treasurer and secretary, should correspond.

If all Memorial Reports have not been sent, they should be forwarded *at once* to Christina Thornton, Manitou Springs, Colo.

Corps Presidents changing their street and number should at once report the same to the Department Secretary.

Orders for supplies from Corps Treasurers to Department Treasurers must be made on Requisitions properly filled and signed. Blanks for same are furnished at Headquarters at 20 cents for a book of twenty.

Headquarters for Colorado and Wyoming at National Convention, Detroit, have been engaged and will be announced with full particulars soon.

The following is a complete list of representatives and delegates to the Ninth National Convention, Detroit, from Colorado and Wyoming Department :

Past National Junior Vice-President, Mrs. Mary Stimpson.

Past Department Presidents, Katherine C. Kennedy, Mary Jewett Telford, Augusta B. Henderson, America Anderson.

Department President, Climena G. Howard.

Department Senior Vice-President, Mary L. Carr.

Department Junior Vice-President, Lizzie C. Smith.

Department Secretary, Josephine A. Cheeseman.

Delegate-at-large, Frances E. Hale.

Alternate-at-large, Margelia Hamilton.

Delegate, Sarah E. Calvert.

Alternate, Emma Smidle.

Delegates and alternates who cannot attend will forward their names to these headquarters by July 8th, that their successors may be appointed.

The following decision of the Eighth National Convention is inserted for the benefit of those unacquainted with it:

"That it is contrary to the best interests of our Order for members of the Woman's Relief Corps to connect themselves with other organizations opposed to the admission of loyal women.

"That hereafter the members of such societies shall not be eligible to membership in the Woman's Relief Corps."

Comrade John A. Lennon has been appointed Superintendent of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Commission, and has applied to the W. R. C. for assistance in furnishing the temporary Home at Monte Vista, and the hospital soon to be erected.

A circular letter with full particulars will soon be issued to the corps.

The furniture and other belongings of the Temporary Home recently closed at Golden, are to be placed at his disposal at once for the use of said Home, by the unanimous vote of the Department Council assembled at Greeley, June 15, 1891.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAM,

Department Secretary.

ROSTER OF CORPS:

DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, 1891.

CORPS.	LOCATION.	PRESIDENT.
No. 1, Farragut,	Denver,	Jennie McGill.
No. 2, Upton,	Pueblo,	Lovina Carpenter.
No. 3, J. C. Mower,	Breckenridge.	Mary A. Huntress
No. 4, Colorado Springs,	Colorado Springs,	Ella L. C. Dwinell.
No. 5, T. H. Dodd,	Golden,	Mary A. Eldridge.
No. 6, George G. Meade,	Denver	Alice T. Smith.
No. 7, E. V. Sumner,	Silver Cliff,	Ella D. Low.
No. 8, James A. Garfield,	Leadville,	Susie J. Searl.
No. 9, J. F. Reynolds,	Cheyenne, Wyo.,	Frances E. Hale.
No. 12, Gunnison,	Gunnison,	Eugenia Olney.
No. 14, Veteran,	Denver,	Salome Jones.
No. 15, U. S. Grant,	Greeley,	Josephine A. Cheeseman.
No. 17, Grand Junction,	Grand Junction,	Harriet E. Abbey.
No. 18, Greenwood,	Canon City,	Liza Stukey,
No. 19, Winfield Scott,	Aspen,	Mary Warner.
No. 20, Custer,	Laramie, Wyo.	Lida E. Fitch.
No. 22, E. D. Baker,	Idaho Springs,	Lucy Langdell.
No. 23, W. S. Hancock,	Glenwood Springs,	Maggie Hoover.
No. 24, W. T. Sherman,	Evans.	Nellie Flint,
No. 25, Thornburgh,	Georgetown,	Carrie E. Phillips.
No. 26, George H. Thomas,	Fort Collins,	Agnes C. Hall.
No. 27, Nathaniel Lyon,	Boulder,	Laura S. Dodge.
No. 28, John Schuler,	Sheridan, Wyo.,	Frances P. Boulware.
No. 29, Battle Mountain,	Red Cliff,	Rosella A. Goodrich.
No. 30, Spanish Peaks,	Powell,	Carrie Hartsock.
No. 31, Kit Carson,	Lamar,	Ellen Billow.
No. 32, McPherson,	Longmont,	Mary L. Carr.
No. 33, Chester A. Arthur,	Sundance, Wyo.,	Harriet Settle.
No. 34, Kilpatrick,	La Junta,	Nellie E. Brooker.
No. 35, George Crook,	Tie Siding, Wyo.,	Eliza A. Woodward.
No. 36, Akron,	Akron,	Nellie L. Bailey.
No. 37, E. M. Stanton,	Salida,	Lizzie C. Smith.
No. 38, Colorado City,	Colorado City,	Fredericka Langmeyer.
No. 39, Pike's Peak,	Manitou Springs,	Christina Thornton.
No. 40, M. M. Crocker,	Denver,	Dorcas A. Hassen
No. 41, Phil Sheridan,	Buena Vista,	Martha L. Daniels.
No. 42, George Washington,	Denver,	Adelia Macauley.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., Sept. 14, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 5.

I. All Department Aids should become familiar with the work of the Order and improve every opportunity to promote the growth of the Woman's Relief Corps. Each Aid should endeavor to present, to at least one Post, the advantage of organizing an Auxiliary, or bring into the Order as many members as possible.

II. A copy of the proceedings of the Seventh Department Convention has been sent to each Department Officer and to each Corps President, also every delegate to said convention. Those not receiving Journal will please notify Department Secretary.

Other members wishing to possess a copy of this Journal will receive one by sending five cents to Department Secretary, to cover the expense of postage.

III. The Department President takes great pleasure in announcing that the corps are responding to Circular No. 1 with generous promptness.

Below is given the number of corps, name, location, and amount contributed to Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista:

No. 8, James A. Garfield, Leadville, Colo.,	-	\$25
No. 25, Thornburg Corps, Georgetown, Colo.,		25
No. 15, U. S. Grant, Greeley, Colo.,	-	25
No. 35, George Crook, Tie Siding, Wyo.,	-	25
No. 41, Phil Sheridan, Buena Vista, Colo.,	-	25
No. 37, E. M. Stanton, Salida, Colo.,	-	25
No. 32, McPherson, Longmont, Colo.,	-	30
No. 27, Nathaniel Lyon, Boulder, Colo.,	-	25
No. 29, Battle Mountain, Red Cliff, Colo.,	-	25
No. 31, Kit Carson, Lamar, Colo.,	-	25
No. 14, Veteran, Denver, Colo.,	-	25
No. 19, Winfield Scott, Aspen, Colo.,	-	25
No. 28, John Schuler, Sheridan, Wyo.,	-	10
No. 36, Akron Corps, Akron, Colo.,	-	5 50
No. 24, W. T. Sherman, Evans, Colo.,	-	15

No. 26, Geo. H. Thomas, Fort Collins, Colo., 6 comfortable.

Other Corps send assurances of help, which will be announced in future orders.

IV. We have a National Woman's Relief Corps Home, at Madison, Ohio. This Home is for a place of quiet rest and comfort for our aged army nurses, needing help. Our Past National President, Annie Wittenmeyer, herself one of the most zealous nurses of the war, has had the important trust of Chairman of the Board of Directors during its first year. The Departments are sending contributions to help purchase an adjoining piece of land, sufficient for suitable outbuildings for such a Home. At our late National Convention, held at Detroit, your Department President pledged \$25 for Colorado and Wyoming. It is desired to raise this sum by voluntary contributions from members of the Order. Should each member contribute three cents for this worthy enterprise, it would be more than sufficient to make the desired amount. Corps Treasurers are requested to forward the amounts of these personal contributions to the Department Treasurer.

V. The annual inspection of corps in this Department will occur during October and November, at regular or special meetings.

VI. The traveling expenses of Inspectors will be paid by the Department; local expenses by the corps.

VII. Inspectors must work according to "Instructions to Inspectors", on pages 25 and 26 of Revised Service Book.

VIII. The Inspectors will be received according to directions on pages 23 and 24 of Revised Service Book.

IX. All reports for Inspection returns must be made from October 1, 1890, to October 1, 1891. Books of Secretary and Treasurer should be audited to October 1, 1891.

X. Corps officers should obtain from Inspectors all needed information in regard to the work of the Order.

XI. Corps Secretaries must report number of meetings and average attendance of officers and members. Corps Treasurers must report amount expended for relief, giving

in separate items the amount expended for Soldier's Home and National W. R. C. Home.

XII. For relief extended to members *not* relatives of soldiers, money must be taken from General Fund, and reported under the head of "All other disbursement." Give to Inspector the amount given for this purpose, that the *true* relief work may be shown. When total of Relief is given, include that given to Soldiers' Home.

XIII. Assistant Inspectors will be appointed on recommendation of Department Inspector, Rosella A. Goodrich. The Department President hopes to be able to assist in the work of Inspection.

XIV. Notice will be given by Inspector of the dates of visiting Corps, and Presidents must be prepared to call special meetings, if necessary, to save expense. The Inspector gives her time and strength to this work, without compensation, and she should be aided by promptness and excellent work on the part of Corps inspected, as well as genuine hospitality.

XV. The Department President congratulates those Corps Presidents sending in perfect reports. Let all make special efforts to send in second quarter's reports immediately after last meeting of quarter.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., Nov. 14, 1891.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 6.

I. The annual election of Corps officers, and also of delegates and alternates to the Department Convention at Boulder, Colo. will take place at the first regular meeting of Corps in December.

Every Corps Secretary is requested to read this order on election day and the articles governing elections, as found in the Rules and Regulations; Chap. II, Art. VII, and Chap. III, Art. II.

In selecting officers for the year, choose only those who are suited for the various positions, and having elected them, support them during their administration.

Every member in our order who is in good standing is eligible to office.

II. The ratio of representation to the Annual Convention is one delegate to every twenty members in the Corps as represented at close of the third quarter, September 30, and an additional one for the final fraction of more than one-half that number. Each Corps is entitled to one delegate whatever its membership may be.

An equal number of alternates will also be elected who will be entitled to a vote in the convention only in the absence of a delegate, when they become delegates by filling the vacancy. The first elected alternate, if present, is entitled to fill the first vacancy.

All Corps which have been organized since September 30, will elect officers and delegates as above directed.

III. Immediately after the election, Corps Presidents must forward to the Department Secretary the full personal names of the President, Senior and Junior Vice Presidents, delegates, alternates and past Presidents, as the regular election returns are not received in time for the Secretary to properly prepare the roll of the Department Convention. Give special attention to this matter.

IV. The newly elected officers will select the Installing Officer, and at once correspond with her stating date of installation, etc.

If the invitation is accepted, notify the Department Secretary at once, and the person thus elected will be detailed.

A direct communication with the desired Installing Officer expedites the work greatly.

Should a Corps fail to make satisfactory arrangements for its installing officers, a detail will be made by the Department President.

Traveling and local expenses of Installing Officers will be borne by the Corps.

V. Any member of the order in good standing may serve as Installing Officer except the retiring officers, and those who accept will at once notify the Department Secretary, that a correct record may be kept, and that the Installing Officer's blank "Form U" may be forwarded to them.

VI. The retiring Secretary will fill out both the "Corps Election Returns" which should be certified to by the retiring President as correct, on the outside fold. The full name and Post Office address of the newly elected President and the time of meeting, must be given. This is very important as the Department roster is prepared from this report and it should be correct. Assistant Installing Officers will forward one copy of their report to the Department Secretary and one to Instituting and Installing Officer, Jennie McGill, Denver, 1122, California street. (See rules and regulations, Chap. V. Art. II.) Joint public installations, when convenient and agreeable to the Posts are to be desired, as interest in both Orders is created by these ceremonies.

VII. Let every Corps make special effort to have reports for fourth quarter perfect, and sent to headquarters immediately after last meeting of the quarter. When Corps are reported suspended, the Presidents of such Corps are responsible for such suspensions.

VIII. McPherson Corps, No. 32, Longmont, was first on "roll of honor" for third quarter. Veteran Corps No. 14, of Denver, did the most relief work, \$74.25 cash and

\$122.30 "other than money." Farragut, No. 1, Denver, gained most by initiation for third quarter.

IX. Additional corps sending money for Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista since last General Order was issued are :

No. 22, E. D. Baker, Idaho Springs, - - -	\$ 25
No. 20, Custer, Laramie, Wyo., - - -	25
No. 17, Grand Junction, Grand Junction, - - -	25
No. 6, George G. Mead, Denver, - - -	25
No. 7, E. V. Sumner, Silver Cliff, - - -	100
No. 40, M. M. Crocker, Denver, - - -	25
No. 1, Farragut, Denver, - - -	25

X. Contributions for the National Woman's Relief Corps Home, at Madison, Ohio, have been sent to Department Headquarters as follows:

No. 15, U. S. Grant, Greeley, - - -	\$1 25
No. 42, George Washington, Denver, - - -	50
No. 6, George G. Meade, Denver, - - -	2 76
No. 7, E. V. Sumner, Silver Cliff, - - -	2 10
No. 29, Battle Mountain, Red Cliff, - - -	1 00
No. 1, Farragut, Denver, - - -	1 15
No. 40, M. M. Crocker, Denver, - - -	96
No. 14, Veteran, Denver, - - -	3 50

XI. Three corps have been organized since last General Orders, the first, on the evening of the opening of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, October 30, at Monte Vista, Colorado Joe Hooker, No. 43, Mrs. Eliza F. Sickles, President. October 31, at Holyoke, Colorado, Holyoke Corps No. 44, Lizzie M. Reynolds, President. November 5, at Littleton, Colorado, John C. Fremont, No. 45, Annie Beckwith, President.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., Jan. 25, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 7.

I. The Department President extends cordial greetings to each and every member of the department.

To the retiring officers she gives warmest thanks for the fidelity and zeal which they have shown in every portion of the work pertaining to our order.

While she has been greatly aided by their efficiency, she has often been strengthened in her labors by personal kindness and charming courtesies extended to herself.

To the officers who have just been installed for the year, she asks and trusts that she will receive their heartiest co-operation. There is work to be done.

Your own corps are to be strengthened and kept in sympathy with the great principles of our order.

By your personal interest and exertions you will keep alive the interest of your members.

Keep your corps informed by gathering every item of interest possible in regard to national work.

Discuss freely questions of vital interest. Arouse an interest in the welfare of army nurses in your vicinity as well as Veterans and their families. See that none are left in want. Do not allow personal grievances a hearing, but throw yourselves into work for others.

II. The confusion regarding Election Return Blanks was occasioned by the discrepancy between Rules and Regulations and Resolution Number 20, which was adopted by eight National Conventions, requiring one blank to be retained by the Corps. Two blanks should have been sent

to each Corps. A blank will be sent with this order to be kept by Corps.

III. Corps Presidents will bear in mind that those communications that bear the endorsement of the National, Department, and Post officers, are official, and are to be presented to the Corps.

IV. Section 47, of National General Orders No. 3, 1891, permits a candidate to be initiated on the day of her election without a dispensation from the Department President.

V. Corps Presidents are requested to send to Department Chaplain Christina Thornton, Manitou Springs, the names of deceased members, that they may be properly recorded, and reported at Convention.

It was suggested at Ninth National Convention that a deceased member should be buried with a badge of the order upon her breast.

VI. The Journal of the Ninth National Convention has not yet been received.

VII. Corps Presidents are earnestly requested to continue the work of caring for army nurses in their vicinity, to report the same to Department Headquarters that none may suffer, who so faithfully and tenderly watched over and administered to the wants of our sick and dying boys of '61 to '65.

VIII. The "Red Book" is now in stock with Department Treasurer's supplies. Price, 65 cents.

A copy of this book should be in possession of each Corps at once—as Corps property. It has been prepared for the guidance of the W. R. C. by our past National President, Annie Wittenmeyer. The use of the Red Book will save a great deal of correspondence and expense. It is authority for the W. R. C. as Beath's Blue Book is for the G. A. R.

IX. Corps sending money to Department Treasurer since last General Orders for Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista are:

No. 38, Colorado City, - - - - -	\$25
No. 4, Colorado Springs, - - - - -	25

Donations for land for National Woman's Relief Corps Home at Madison, Ohio, have been received from the following Corps since General Orders No. 6:

No. 8, James A. Garfield, Leadville, Colo.	\$5 00
No. 35, George Crook, Tie Siding, Wyo.	- 2 00
No. 32, McPherson, Longmont, Colo.	- 1 50
No. 24, W. T. Sherman, Evans, Colo.	- 60
No. 31, Kit Carson, Lamar, Colo.	- 75
No. 42, Geo. Washington, Denver, Colo.	- 30

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.



HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., March 21, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS,
No. 8.

I. The Eighth Annual Convention of this Department will be held in Boulder, Colo., on April 26, 27 and 28, for the election of officers, and such other business as may properly come before it.

The membership will consist of the Department Officers, Past Department Presidents, all Corps Presidents and all Past Corps Presidents, and the regularly elected delegates from each Corps.

A Vice President will not be entitled to a seat in the Convention except in the absence of the President (unless she has been elected delegate), and in the absence of any delegate the first alternate will fill the vacancy, and so on through the list.

Corps organized since January 1, 1892, will be represented by the President only, or in her absence, by a Vice President.

The convention will open at 9:30 A. M., April 26, at Feeny's Hall, and voting members are urged and expected to be present from opening to closing of each session, with note book and pencil.

II. Headquarters have been secured at the Bowen House, where the Department Officers will be pleased to welcome all friends of the W. R. C.

III. The Department Council is hereby called to meet on Monday evening, April 25th, at 7:30, in the parlor of the Bowen House.

IV. All members of the Order, in good standing, are invited to attend the Convention as visitors.

V. Resolutions, to be presented to the Convention, should be forwarded to Department Secretary before April 20, in order to expedite the work of the Committee on Resolutions.

VI. The following is copied from the General Order of the Department Commander, George W. Cook:

III. Arrangements have been made with the several railroads for a rate of one fare for the round trip from railroad points nearest to where posts of the G. A. R. are located, to Boulder and return, for all comrades attending the encampment, and for members of the Woman's Relief Corps.

IV. Tickets will be on sale from all stations between Trinidad, Canon City, and Denver, and points east of Pueblo, on April 24 and 25; and from such other points as these dates will not fit, tickets may be sold to enable holder to reach Boulder on the 25th and 26th, and the final limit of all tickets shall be April 29, 1892.

VII. Bills of Department Officers against the Department for postage, stationery, etc., should be sent in before April 10, as the Treasurer closes her books on that day.

VIII. Every Corps should be represented at the Convention by its President, if possible, who is chairman of her delegation. Many Corps, especially those at a distance, help pay the expenses of their President and other Representatives, if they are able to do so. This can often be done by making an extra effort by way of an entertainment.

IX. Department Officers and Delegate-at-large to National Convention, should send their reports to Headquarters prior to April 15th.

X. Two journals of the National Convention at Detroit have been sent to each Corps President, for corps file, with a request for her to hand one to her Post Commander. Thanks are due to our Past National President Mary Sears McHenry for this thoughtful kindness. Copies of this journal can be procured from Department Treasurer May S. Hotchkiss, and at the Convention at Boulder; also "The Unofficial Proceedings connected with the Twenty-fourth Encampment of G. A. R. at Boston."

XI. Assistant Installing Officers who have not forwarded to Department I. & I. Officer Jennie McGill, 1122

California street, Denver, the installing blanks, properly filled out, must do so at once.

XII. The ritual will be exemplified by Nathaniel Lyon Corps, at Boulder, on Tuesday evening, April 26th.

XIII. Additional Corps sending money since last general orders, for Soldier's Home are:

No. 42, George Washington, Denver,	-	-	\$25
No. 13, Gunnison, Gunnison,	-	-	25
No. 23, W. S. Hancock, Glenwood Springs,	-	-	12

XIV. Corps No. 25, Thornburg, of Georgetown, has sent \$5.00 for National W. R. C. Home. This enables the Department President to send National Treasurer more than she pledged at National Convention. She desires to return sincere thanks to the different Corps who so promptly and generously responded to her call for \$25. The total amount contributed is \$28.37.

XV. The total amount of money contributed to Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista by the Colorado corps is \$612.50. The money sent by Wyoming corps was returned for the relief of her own invalid veterans in need as they could not be received at the Colorado State Home on the same conditions as Colorado veterans.

XVI. Corps sending packages to the Soldiers' Home are:

- No. 29, Red Cliff, 1 rug and \$2.00 for fruit at Christmas.
- No. 41, Buena Vista, 1 rug.
- No. 8, Leadville 1 rug, extra large.
- No. 25, Georgetown, 1 rug, " "
- No. 32, Longmont, 1 rug.
- No. 14, Denver, 3 rugs and door plate.
- No. 12, Gunnison, 3 rugs, 8 pairs wristers, 12 housewives, games, periodicals.
- No. 2, Pueblo, 1 quilt of red, white and blue, and 15 yards rag carpet.

Other corps are preparing packages, which should be addressed "For Soldiers' Home, Monte Vista, Colo.," and marked "Donated" to insure free expressage. Report the same to Headquarters with value of articles. Corps must

remember that the cots in the hospital are placed in wards, twenty cots in a ward, and that there are no rooms for one occupant. There is a large sunny room for convalescents, containing four cots. The rugs which are sent are to be placed between the cots. Cards announcing the number and location of corps that have donated cots and their furnishings, will be placed upon the walls of the hospital at the head of cots. These are to be framed, glass 8 x 10 inches, frame two inches wide, of white wood, highly polished, with two corners handsomely *hand decorated* in colors, with a three-fourths inch white and gilt lining. Price all framed, 75 cents. Corps that have furnished a cot will send price named to Department Treasurer before April 10, if possible.

XVII. With sorrow we announce the disbanding of two corps, E. D. Baker, No. 22, Idaho Springs, and W. S. Hancock, No. 23, Glenwood Springs, since last general order. These Corps have struggled bravely to hold their charters, but adverse circumstances compelled them to relinquish them. Most of the members will remain in the order by taking transfer cards.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

CIRCULAR NOTE:

To all Officers and Members of our Order who have so promptly and generously responded to the many calls, and who have always assisted, in the kindest spirit, in making this a prosperous year for our Department, I return my sincerest thanks.

Yours cordially in F. C. and L.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., June 3, 1892.

CIRCULAR LETTER,
No. 1.

PRESIDENT CORPS No. _____

DEAR MADAM:

The surplus in the Home Fund was not sufficient to meet the expenses of closing the Temporary Soldiers' Home by nearly twenty dollars, which sum we desire to raise by voluntary contributions from corps. Whatever you may send will be most gratefully received and faithfully applied. Promptness in this matter is especially desirable.

In F. C. and L.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., July 18, 1891.

CIRCULAR LETTER,
No. 2.

This letter is sent out to the corps of this Department to present to them the needs of the hospital soon to be built in connection with the "Soldiers' and Sailors' Home" the corner stone of which was laid on July 4th, 1891, at Monte Vista, Colo. The citizens of that place have donated the lands and building stone and are to plant numerous trees. The State of Colorado has appropriated \$20,000 which must be expended in buildings. Comrade John A. Lennon has been appointed President of the "Soldiers' and Sailors' Commission." From him I have received a list of articles needed to furnish the hospital, which is to be built at once. Accommodations for forty veterans are to be provided in the hospital making it necessary to have forty iron cots, with mattresses, sheets, blankets, spreads, pillows and cases. A small bureau and two chairs are needed with each cot. President Lennon desires that these articles be uniform, consequently they should be bought at wholesale. The W. R. C. has long expected and desired to assist the G. A. R. in this great undertaking for the disabled veterans of our Department. The time has now come for action in this work. Let us decide as soon as possible what each corps will do. It has been estimated that \$25.00 will pay for a cot and its furnishings. It was suggested by one of the Commissioners that it would be very commendable for each corps to provide for one occupant, but it could hardly be expected that our new and small corps could undertake so much. Every corps knows its resources and must work accordingly. But whatever can be donated, however small, will be most thankfully received. I wish to hear from every corps as soon as possible.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,
Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAM,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., Oct. 24, 1891.

CIRCULAR LETTER,

NO. 3.

TO CORPS PRESIDENTS.

Herewith please find an invitation to the opening of the Home at Monte Vista. If you cannot accept it give it to some member of your Corps who will.

If no one from your Corps can go, return the invitation to me at once, as others are anxious to go.

The W. R. C. is limited to twenty-five invitations and I wish every one accepted. Consult Denver Sunday morning papers as to time of starting. Rate at least, one-half fare.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

The following invitation to the opening exercises of the Colorado Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, at Monte Vista, together with the programme for that occasion was sent out in a neatly printed circular:

Monte Vista, Colo., October 19, 1891.

The formal opening of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home of the State of Colorado, will take place at the Home at Monte Vista, the 30th day of October, 1891, at 2 o'clock P. M.

You are cordially and earnestly requested to be present on that occasion so that you may assist in making the opening services historical, and to enable you to see what has already been done towards providing a Home in the Silver State for the homeless and destitute members of the defenders of our country and our flag.

Kindly notify me of your intention to attend in order that the citizens of this valley may make proper provisions for the reception of the invited guests, and oblige,

Yours truly,

JOHN A. LENNON,

*President of the Board of Commissioners and
Commander of the Home.*

PROGRAM

OF THE SERVICES AT THE OPENING OF THE COLORADO
SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME,*Monte Vista, Colo., October 30, 1891.*

His Excellency, Governor John L. Routt will preside
and open the proceedings with a few appropriate remarks.

Song, "My Country 'Tis of Thee." - By the Choir.

Address, "The Financial Condition of the Home."

By Col. John A. Lennon.

Song, - - - - - By the Choir.

Address, - - - - - By Gen. J. W. Browning.

Song, - - - - - By the Choir.

Address, - - - - - By Judge W. S. Decker.

Song, - - - - - By the Choir.

Address, - - - - - By Rev. Myron W. Reed.

Song, - - - - - By the Choir.

Short Talks - - - By other distinguished Guests.

PRAYER.

Song, "Home Sweet Home." - - - By the Choir.

BENEDICTION.

HEADQUARTERS DEP'T COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
AUXILIARY TO GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

Greeley, Colo., March 1, 1892.

CIRCULAR,

No. 5.

I. This circular is sent to the corps of this Department to inform them that John A. Lennon commandant of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, at Monte Vista, has arranged with the express company to forward packages to the home free of charge, *provided* the express company is informed by the corps sending the package *that it is a gift to the Home.*

II. Corps sending packages to the Home will please report the same to Department Headquarters as soon as possible, that each corps may be properly accredited with the same in the Department records.

III. General Orders will soon be issued concerning the Eighth Department Convention, to be held in Boulder, on April 26th, 27th, and 28th.

IV. The Department Treasurer wishes to close her books on April 10th. All orders for supplies must be filled previous to that time.

V. Corps report must be sent in promptly for next quarter, before April 10th.

By command of

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Department President.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Department Secretary.

Greeley, June 16, 1892.

By permission of the Department President, several Circular Letters were omitted for want of space.

In F. C. and L.,

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,

Secretary.

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OF THE
Department of Colorado and Wyoming

Woman's Relief Corps

AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R.

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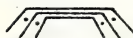
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Kilpatrick Corps No. 34, La Junta.

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 " " " . . . Catherine Jones
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George Crook Corps No. 35, Tie Siding, Wyoming.

Corps President, . . . Mina F. Hawkes
 Past Corps President, . . . Pheba Gearhart
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 " " " . . . Lydia Jefferys
 Alternate, . . . Matilda Daggy
 " " " . . . Sadie White

John C. Fremont Corps No. 45, Littleton.

Corps President, . . . Carrie Rogers*
 Past Corps President, . . . Anna Beckwith
 Delegate, . . . Dora Horton
 Alternate, . . . Mary E. Cozzins

Major Anderson Corps No. 46, Harris.

Corps President, . . . Martha A. Cummings

Phil Kearney Corps No. 47, Platteville.

Corps President, . . . Emma Beaman

PROCEEDINGS OF NINTH ANNUAL CONVENTION,

Woman's Relief Corps.

The Ninth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, assembled in Odd Fellows Hall, Pueblo, May 17th, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was called to order by the Department President, Mary L. Carr.

In the absence of Mary A. Condit, Department Chaplain, Mrs. Brissac, Chaplain of Upton Corps led in prayer, the Lord's prayer being repeated in unison, followed by the singing of "America," Mrs. Virginia Feeney accompanying on the Piano.

Carrie V. Donaldson of Upton Relief Corps, No. 2, welcomed the members of the Convention in a few well chosen words, and extended to them the hospitalities of the city of Pueblo.

Lucy M. Campbell of Crocker Corps, Denver, responded on behalf of the Convention, as follows:

The hearty welcome extended to us by the President of Upton Relief Corps, is most sincerely appreciated, and in behalf of the members of this convention, I desire to extend our hearty thanks.

We have come from valley and plain and mountain heights, to confer together for the advancement of the work, the foundation of which I am proud to record, was laid in our own beloved State, at the base of these towering mountains.

We have with us to-day, women who assisted in forming this grand organization that has extended its branches into nearly every state in the Union, and by its acts, giving aid and comfort to thousands of the weak and helpless ones, that otherwise would have to depend upon

public charity for the necessities of life. Let us ever be mindful of the cause for which we are banded together. The banded forms and faltering steps of these veterans remind us that our services for them will soon be ended; let us then while we may, earnestly carry forward the work that is to benefit the needy and unfortunate, of our Nation's defenders.

I sincerely hope that this convention will be harmonious in action. May no selfish ambition manifest itself in our deliberations, but may we, one and all, work for the best interest of our Order.

We most gladly accept the hospitality of your beautiful city, and can assure you that it is a pleasure to abide "within your gates," and we trust, that you may ever retain pleasant memories of the Ninth Annual Convention.

The Department President then read her annual report as follows:

ADDRESS OF DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Officers and Members of the Ninth Annual Convention:

Thirteen months have passed since you honored me by an election to the office of President of this Department. We have reached the ninth mile stone in our journey; let us pause and review the work that has been accomplished along the way; trusting that the knowledge we have gained by our experience, may serve to guide us in our future course. I extend to you a most cordial welcome, and trust that you will give your earnest and thoughtful attention to all legislation that is deemed necessary for the advancement of the Order in this Department, and may your deliberations be characterized by a spirit of harmony and your acts with justice.

There has been no phenomenal growth in the Order during the past year, and I think I may be justified in saying that in the light of the past history of this Department it could not have been reasonably expected. We have a Department embracing two great states with towns located long distances apart with a sparse population.

In many of these towns we find a few veterans struggling to maintain a Post, their dues being a tax on their limited funds. In such instances to start another organization makes an additional tax upon

the same families, and with women overburdened with domestic cares, but little enthusaism can be aroused for anything outside of home duties.

Perhaps in no year since the organization of this Department, has there been so much to detract attention from the work of organizing Corps as during the past year.

In the early part of the summer succeeding my election, the attention of the public generally throughout the Department was directed almost exclusively to the arrangements for entertaining the great influx of visitors expected during the Triennial conclave.

As I visited the several Corps I found this situation existing to such a degree as to make it almost impossible to create any interest in the work of our Order.

During the summer the expected visitors came, but in numbers almost double our expectations; nearly every family in the state was called upon to entertain friends, their stay, in many instances, continuing until late in the fall. It is unnecessary to explain to a convention of women that, under such circumstances, it was impracticable for the women of this state to attend to anything except household duties.

Another element that is to be considered as detracting from the former interest in this Order, is the large number of organizations of women that, during the last few years, have been formed auxiliary to other secret societies. When our Order was first established it was practically the only woman's organization in the state devoted entirely to charitable work and may be said to be the pioneer in this direction. In the last two years there has been a rapid increase in the societies of women, auxiliary to secret organizations of men. These societies are open to both men and women, and are instituted mostly for social purpose; these tend to detract from our Order, as women who are not connected by ties of kinship with the old soldiers are more ready to associate themselves with societies exclusively social and whose labors are light, rather than with our Order with its charitable work.

Recognizing this situation I have devoted my energies more to building up, strengthening and encouraging the Corps already existing than to the organization of new Corps, in localities where little if any relief work is necessary and where the Post manifests no interest.

While the year has not been characterized by any special activity in our ranks, yet the accessions to our membership have been gratifying, showing that while we have sustained the loss of three Corps we have gained steadily in membership, and I am happy to state there is a decided improvement in the work throughout the Department.

Reports are more promptly forwarded, officers duties are better preformed, and an active interest is exhibited for a better understanding of the Rules and Regulations. This is most gratifying to record, and if I have been in any way instrumental in accomplishing this advancement I am amply repaid for the many wearisome hours and days that I have spent in trying to raise to a higher standard the work of our Order in the several Corps of this Department.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

In July last I was furnished with transportation over the Rio Grande road to accompany my husband on his official visits as Grand Commander of Knights Templars, and availed myself of the opportunity of visiting the Corps at Gunnison, Grand Junction, Aspen, Red Cliff, Leadville and Salida.

I was most agreeably surprised in the work of these several Corps. With one exception the work was performed in a most creditable manner, and the relations existing between Post and Corps were most cordial and harmonious.

These Corps separated by long distances are unable to exchange fraternal visits, and with only an occasional visit from a Department officer, live practically in a little world of their own.

In October I visited the Corps at Lamar, La Junta, Holyoke and Akron. These Corps are small in membership and often become discouraged. It is to be regretted that, on account of the expensive rates of travel, more frequent visits cannot be paid them by Department officers; but in my judgment it is a judicious use of Department funds, to expend them in aiding, encouraging and instructing these remote and struggling Corps; the cordial reception accorded me in all of my official visits was an assurance of their appreciation and a guaranty of their renewed interest and activity in the work.

In November I visited three of the Corps in Wyoming. The Corps at Laramie and Cheyenne are in good standing and are actively engaged in the relief work. The little Corps at Tie-siding has struggled bravely to maintain an existence; it still keeps its charter and holds

regular meetings although the Post to which it was auxiliary has disbanded.

I have visited all of the Corps in this Department with three exceptions, having traveled seven thousand miles in the performance of my duties. I have instituted two Corps, delivered one Memorial Day address, have issued two Circular Letters and nine General Orders, and have answered six hundred letters. Most cheerfully have I performed these duties, having at all times in view, the growth and prosperity of our Order.

I have written to the Commanders of the several Posts, not having Auxiliaries, calling their attention to the benefits of such an organization, in assisting them in relief work. The answers received have been favorable in a few instances and all necessary information has been forwarded to such Post Commanders as have expressed a desire for the same, and I think the result will be the organization of several Corps the coming year.

On April fifteenth I instituted Major Anderson Corps at Harris, Colorado, with fifteen charter members, Martha A Cummings, President. On May third I instituted Phil. Kearney Corps No. 47 at Platteville, Colorado, with twelve charter members, Emily Beaman, President. May twelfth an application with twenty-eight names was received from Durango asking for a charter to organize a Corps Auxiliary to Sedgwick Post. I detailed Post Commander, M. H. Copeland to institute the same. These Corps start out with a fair prospect of success, but they should be visited very early by Department officers as it is impossible for the newly elected officers to fully comprehend the work in the brief time for instructions at the first meeting.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

During the past winter I learned through correspondence with Major Lennon, Commander of the Soldiers' Home, that there was urgent need of more cots and bedding in order to accommodate applicants for membership in that institution who could not be admitted for want of sleeping accommodations. He reported to me that there was room in the building for six additional beds, and that number, additional, could be admitted and cared for, if the beds could be provided; that the appropriations for this purpose having been exhausted, nothing could be done by the Home Commission.

The costs of the cots and necessary furnishings and bedding for each

is twenty-five dollars. As it has been a specific charge upon the W. R. C. to assist this institution, and one directly in line with the work of our Order, I issued an appeal to the Corps in Colorado, asking for contributions thereto. The response was prompt and generous. Within one month after the appeal was issued, two hundred and four dollars was paid into the Department treasury and placed to the credit of the Soldiers' Home Fund. One hundred and ninety dollars of this was at once remitted to the Commandant of the Home, and expended by him for the purpose intended. Thus, through the generosity of the Corps of Colorado, six or seven old veterans were supplied with the comforts of life, who otherwise might have suffered, or have been recipients of public charity in the almshouses.

Since the establishment of this institution, the Relief Corps of this state have contributed in money to its support eight hundred and twenty-five dollars, also a large amount of bedding and other articles. Let us rejoice that the last legislature of Colorado has meted out a measure of justice to our worthy veterans by appropriating the sum of forty thousand dollars to the Soldiers' Home, and that hereafter it will stand on a firm and independent financial basis.

I desire to pay a merited tribute to the patriotism of Joe Hooker Corps No 43 of Monte Vista, through whose noble devotion and energetic action very many comforts in the way of extra bedding and other necessary articles were furnished to the members of the Home during the severe cold weather of the past winter.

HOME COMMISSION.

Pursuant to the directions of the Department Convention, whereby "the in-coming Department President was requested to present a petition to the Governor, asking for the appointment of a woman, a member of the Woman's Relief Corps, to a position on the Soldiers' Home Commission," I called upon Governor Waite and presented the request; my request was received with the utmost courtesy, but I was informed that there was doubt as to the eligibility of a woman to hold such a position under the constitution and laws of this state. The Governor said he was in favor of making such an appointment, and if he could be satisfied of his power in the premises he would do so. I afterwards received from him the following communication which explains itself:

STATE OF COLORADO, EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT,)
DENVER, February 10, 1893. }

To Mary L. Carr, Department President:

In the matter of an application to have a woman appointed as one of the Commissioners of the Soldiers' Home:

In regard to this matter my opinion is that it is eminently right to appoint a woman to such a position.

Without any thorough examination, I am also of the opinion, upon general principles, that such an appointment would be legal. There appears to be however, a decision of the Supreme Court of Colorado to the contrary, and it was solely because I did not desire to antagonize the decisions of our highest Court, that I did not appoint a woman upon the Board of Commissioners. I have declined also to appoint a woman Notary Public for precisely the same reason.

DAVIS H. WAITE,
Governor of Colorado.

The Supreme Court decision alluded to in this communication is based upon the clause of the Constitution of Colorado, that no person shall be eligible to hold any office except qualified electors. We can have no representation on the Soldier's Home Commission until the law is approved extending the right of suffrage to women; this law will be submitted at the next general election, and it might be well for us to let our influence be felt.

DEPARTMENT BANNER.

It was decided by the Tenth National Convention, held in Washington, that our Order should be represented at the World's Columbian Exposition. Pursuant to this action, orders were issued from National Headquarters, calling for the several Departments to assist in preparing a suitable exhibit.

Upon receipt of this order I called a meeting of the Department Council, and it was decided to prepare a Department banner, with painting, illustrating some of our grand mountain scenery, to be displayed at the Exposition at Chicago, and returned at the close of the Exposition for the future use of the Department. A circular letter was issued to the several Corps, asking contributions to a fund for that purpose, and through their customary generosity, nearly a sufficient amount of money was raised to pay for the Banner. - I trust that the action taken in this matter will meet with your favor. I desire to return my sincere thanks to the Banner Committee for the faithful performance of their duty, and the satisfactory manner in which it has been accomplished.

GRAND ARMY.

The official relations existing between the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corps in this Department have been of the most cordial nature. The Department Commander has proved himself a staunch friend of our Order, and to him I am indebted for many valuable suggestions for the advancement of the work in this Department.

In speaking of our work he said: "A live active Corps is a necessary adjunct in the maintenance of an active live Post."

BADGES.

The eighth Department Convention by unanimous vote decided that a solid silver badge should be made for delegates and representatives to the National Convention, but neglected to specify whether the badge should be given to the delegates, or should be purchased by them, at cost price. I corresponded with all interested, and ascertained that no one desired to pay for the badge. I therefore decided to make the badges in strict accordance with the design adopted by the members of the Convention, and furnish the delegates with the same, requesting that the badges be returned to the Department Treasurer, after the National Convention. As they are the property of the Department, this Convention can dispose of them in any manner it deems best.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

This branch of our work has been most satisfactorily conducted.

During the past year my attention was called to a case of destitution in Eastonville, Colorado; the applicant having applied to the National President, who forwarded the communication to me; on investigating this case I found it one of great destitution, and demanding immediate attention. A soldier's widow in feeble health, with several children, and two grand-children, and without any means of support excepting a small pension of eight dollars per month. Satisfied that this case was worthy of our aid, I requested the Chairman of the Department Relief Committee to forward ten dollars without delay.

The Corps at Colorado Springs has most faithfully endeavored to provide for the orphan children now under its care. It has been a severe tax on the members of this Corps, to furnish board and clothing for these little ones, and I have deemed it advisable to assist them from the Department Relief fund.

Mrs. Emma Johnson, Chairman of this Committee, has performed the duties of the office in a most faithful and concientious manner.

The details of her work will be presented in her annual report.

DISBANDED CORPS.

The Corps of Colorado City did not deem it advisable to continue its organization after the disbandment of the Post to which it was Auxiliary; the proper steps were taken for its disbandment, many of its members taking transfer cards, and uniting with other Corps.

Greenwood Corps of Canon City and E. M. Stanton Corps of Salida disbanded at the end of the fourth quarter. Inefficiency in the work and lack of interest by the members destroyed their usefulness as auxiliaries to the Posts. The Department Inspector recommending the disbanding of the Corps at Salida, I requested them to send their Charter and supplies to headquarters.

INSPECTION.

The work of inspection has been demonstrated as one of great importance to the welfare of the Corps.

In order to lessen the expense of inspection, and to inform myself of the condition of the Corps remote from headquarters, I performed the work of inspection of eight Corps, at the time of making my official visits. The Department Inspector's report give the standing and condition of the several Corps visited.

MEMORIAL DAY.

Reports show that throughout the Department, Memorial Day was observed with increased interest, not only by the Grand Army, but by the general public, and the children of the public schools as well.

The several Memorial Orders issued by Departments and National Headquarters, when gathered together, constitute a cluster of literary gems. "They breathe the spirit of devotion to the principles for which our soldiers fought," of loyalty to the right, and patriotism to the Union, and at the same time they reveal an under-current of forgiveness and loving kindness toward those who were enemies in war, but who since the return of peace are again our friends.

Throughout every part of our common country, the day has become a National holiday, for the inculcation of the grandest and purest patriotism to the children, and for the revival of sad but glorious memories by the older ones.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

A cordial invitation from the Department Commander to the delegates and all members of the Woman's Relief Corps to accompany the comrades on the official train to Washington was accepted, a large number making the trip, which was full of interest and enjoyment. I desire to extend our sincerest thanks to General Kennedy, Col. Anderson and others for courtesies received during the trip.

Of the thirteen delegates and representatives to which this Department is entitled in National Convention, nine were present.

It is to be sincerely hoped that some action will be taken at our next National Convention to abbreviate its sessions, and thereby relieve delegates from the great expense that must necessarily attend such long and tiresome meetings.

I present the following recommendations for your consideration:

1. That the representation to Department Conventions remain the same as at present, one for each twenty, and one for the final fraction of over one-half that number.
2. That the per capita tax remain the same; fifteen cents per member.
3. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at head quarters for one year.
4. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organization of Corps and names of charter members, also records of all Corps disbanded, and cause of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.
5. That Department and Assistant Inspectors be required to copy all written matter on charters at the time of the inspection of the several Corps, forwarding the same to headquarters, that a complete record of all charters can be secured.
6. That a complete file of National and Department journals be bound and kept at headquarters, that great care be taken in the preservation of the same as a history of our Order.
7. That a uniform size letter paper be used by Corps in correspondence with Department officers, as it is more convenient for filing.
8. That all Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers on the Roster.

You are soon to select the officers who are to preside over the affairs of this Department during the coming year; let neither sentiment nor sympathy influence you in your choice; select those only who are deeply interested in the work, and give them your hearty and cordial support. The office of President is no sinecure, and though its pleasures are many, its labors are great, and they should not be assumed by any one who is unwilling or unable to devote the greater portion of her time to the work.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

To my associate officers, one and all, I desire to acknowledge my heartfelt gratitude for the prompt and cheerful manner in which they have responded to every call I have made upon them. To May S. Hotchkiss, the Department Treasurer, the acknowledgements of this Department are especially due for the neat and accurate manner in which she has kept the books for the past two years.

I shall ever cherish the most pleasant memories of the members of the Order throughout the Department with whom I have held such enjoyable associations, for the many courtesies extended to me.

And now the record of the year's work is before you for your approval or criticism. It has necessitated a sacrifice of many social and domestic duties, all of which have been subordinate to the duties of my office. I have devoted my time and the best of my thought and strength to your service, earnestly endeavoring to fulfil the pledge I made when I accepted the office, to "perform to the best of my ability" all its duties.

It is with a sigh of relief coupled with a feeling of regret, that I shall surrender the office, bespeaking for my successor the same courtesy and consideration that have been accorded to me.

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

The President announced the following appointments:

ELLA COLLYER and NELLIE MARSHALL, Guards.

VIRGINIA FEENY and CLEMINTINA HAWES, Conductors.

Committee on Credentials, MARY T. BRENBARGER, MAY S. HOTCHKISS, VIRGINIA FEENY.

The Department President then declared the Convention open for the transaction of business.

The Committee on Credentials reported seventy Delegates and thirteen Department Officers present, and entitled to seats in the Convention.

The Conductors took up the password, and reported all present members of the Order.

The Roll of the Convention was called.

REPORT OF SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
BOULDER, May 17, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,

Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Order I submit the following report:

When, at the Eighth Annual Convention of this Department, held in Boulder, I was elected to the office of Senior Vice President by the unanimous vote of the delegates, I deeply appreciated the honor conferred upon me and the Corps of which I was President. and assured our President that I was at her service in any way in which I could assist her in carrying forward the work so well begun.

So faithfully and conscientiously has she attended to the work of the year that but little has been given her subordinate officers to do.

In company with the Department President and others of the delegation, I attended the Tenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps in Washington in September. As we journeyed thither on the official train of the Grand Army of the Republic, we were indebted to Commander Kennedy and his staff for many acts of courtesy and kindness, en route, and while in Washington.

While much happened in the Convention which we all deplored, and much valuable time was spent in discussing questions not important to either the delegates or the business of the Convention, I was much interested in seeing and hearing the many noble women who have so long stood at the helm of this great Order and carried it safely through many troublous administrations to its present pros-

perity. One cannot fail to learn much of profit in parliamentary law and debate.

I was appointed Assistant Department Inspector and given the Corps in Denver, Littleton, Golden and Georgetown to inspect. When I made my official visit to each of these places I was, with one exception, greeted most cordially and my corrections and instructions most respectfully received. I am sorry to say that in some Corps the Inspector is regarded as a formidable foe—one who is going to criticise and find fault without rhyme or reason, and her reception too often displays this feeling. In reality her work is an important one to the welfare of the Order, and her corrections and instructions should be received in the spirit in which they are given—all looking toward the perfection of the work for which we are banded together.

In February the Department President invited me to accompany her on an official visit to Colorado Springs, Manitou and Pueblo. I very gladly accepted the invitation and shall always remember that week as having been most pleasantly and profitably spent. We arrived at Colorado Springs at noon and attended the regular meeting of Corps No. 4 in the afternoon. I was much pleased to meet with this Corps whose membership is small but whose hearts are large enough for twice as many. Too much commendation cannot be given these noble women who have for nearly two years supported the orphan children of an old soldier. Only those who have so worked to keep the Relief Fund replenished can appreciate the tax it has been upon them. In the evening we had the pleasure of attending an open session of Colorado Springs Post and of meeting most of the comrades. The thought came to me that evening that more frequent "open meetings" of Posts and Corps would tend to strengthen the relationship between them and promote a greater interest in the work of both.

At Manitou a special meeting of Pike's Peak Corps No 39 was held, and the activity and zeal shown by this small Corps was very gratifying. Here we had the pleasure of meeting the President of Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, of Monte Vista, and of hearing from her lips more of the details of the lives of the old soldiers in the Home than we had ever heard before. Let us not for a moment forget or neglect to care for these veterans who did so much for us.

Arriving in Pueblo in time to attend the regular meeting of Upton Corps No. 2, we were escorted to the Hall and greeted by a large at-

tendance of its members. In the evening we were given an informal reception which will long be remembered.

On April 15th, I had the privilege of instituting a new Corps—Major Anderson No. 46 of Harris, which starts out a healthy, vigorous “infant” with every prospect of enjoying a long and prosperous life.

To the Department officers and members of the Order with whom I have been associated during the year, my sincere thanks are tendered for the many courtesies received.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

LAURA STURTEVANT DODGE,
Senior Vice-President.

REPORT OF JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT.

OFFICE OF JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
PUEBLO, MAY 15, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

DEAR MADAM: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I present to you, and through you to the Ninth Annual Convention, my Official Report as Junior Vice-President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. I have tried to the best of my ability to promote the interests of the Woman's Relief Corps, and have performed in a conscientious manner all duties assigned to me, and have earnestly desired to assist the Department President in whatever was consistent with her wishes.

In September last I visited Silver Cliff, as requested by the department President, to ascertain the condition of E. V. Sumner Corps. I found the Corps President had been absent for some time; the membership being small, and the few left, becoming discouraged, had determined to surrender their charter. After considerable urging I persuaded them to go on with the work for a while longer. I visited among the ladies in the town and secured several applications from them to become members of the Corps, and I am very happy to state that the Corps has taken a new lease of life, and its members are very sanguine of success. This is one of the oldest Corps in the Department, and its small membership has been due to the constant changing of the population; a fair example of all our mining towns. When

the first call was made upon the Corps for aid in furnishing cots at the Soldiers' Home, this Corps sent one hundred dollars, the largest amount forwarded by any one Corps. It is hoped that Department Officers will make great effort to visit this Corps before the winter season.

I also visited Greenwood Corps at Canon City in November at the request of the Department President. No meetings had been held for some time; members were indifferent, and the President had determined to give up the work. After visiting and making inquiries among the members it was decided to call a meeting, which was done, and I urged them to unite and interest themselves in holding the Corps together. This they agreed to do. I found several women who were willing to join and help them along, and the prospect seemed quite encouraging for them to still hold their charter. Soon after I returned home, I received word from the Department President saying that they had refused to go on with the work; since then repeated efforts have been made by the Department to reorganize this Corps, but there has seemed no desire on the part of those that were members to do so.

My experience has shown, that unless the members of a Corps are interested in carrying on the work for which we are banded together it is much better for a Post to be without an auxiliary. To have one that is totally indifferent to its welfare, is an incumbrance only. Trusting that what little I have accomplished will prove worthy of your commendation, and thanking you for the honor conferred upon me one year ago; and trusting, that the pleasant friendship formed may grow stronger and endure to the end of life, I remain

Respectfully yours in F. C. & L.,

MINA J. SANFORD,
Junior Vice President.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF
 COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 LONGMONT, May 17, 1893.

MARY L. CARR,

Department President:

In accordance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you a report of the membership and condition of this Department for the past year. When you assumed the duties of your office, April 29, 1892, there were in the Department thirty-five Corps, with a membership of 1220 in good standing, and one Corps suspended.

Returns for Second Quarter, 1892.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	73	By Death.....	1
By Transfer.....	10	By Transfer.....	9
By Reinstatement from sus- pension	7	By Honorable Discharge...	9
—	—	By Suspension	36
Total.....	90	By Dishonorable Discharge	1
		By Delinquent Reports....	45
		Total.....	101

Total membership 1209, June 30, 1892.

Returns for Third Quarter, 1892.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	70	By Death	3
By Transfer.....	7	By Transfer.....	10
By Reinstatement from sus- pension	13	By Honorable Discharge...	11
By Reinstatement from De- linquent Reports	45	By Suspension	59
—	—	By Delinquent Reports	69
Total.....	135	Total.....	152

Total number in good standing, 1100, September 30, 1892.

Returns for Fourth Quarter, 1892.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	82	By Death.....	1
By Transfer.....	7	By Transfer.....	20
By Reinstatement from sus- pension	22	By Honorable Discharge...	7
By Reinstatement from De- linquent Reports	50	By Suspension	61
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Total.....	161	Total.....	89

Total number in good standing at end of Fourth Quarter, Dec. 31, 1264.
Which leaves our number of Delegates to the Eleventh National Con-
vention the same as last year, one Delegate-at-Large and two Delegates.

Returns for First Quarter, 1893.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation.....	65	By Death.....	2
By Transfer.....	5	By Honorable Discharge...	32
By Reinstatement from sus- pension	34	By Transfer.....	24
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Total.....	104	By Delinquent Reports....	10
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		Total.....	100

Total number in good standing March 31, 1893, 1268.

Net gain for the year, 48.

Veteran No. 14 gained during the year by initiation and transfer 38 members. Meade No. 6 is but one behind, having gained 37 by initiation and transfer. Nathaniel Lyon's gain for the year is 15 by initiation; but I am sorry to state that while the gain to these three Corps in new members, is large, yet the actual gain in membership has been considerably lessened through the loss by "suspension," cutting down Veteran from 38 to 26, Meade from 37 to 34, Nathaniel Lyon from 15 to 13.

Veteran numbers 130 members in good standing.

Meade	"	123	"	"	"
Nathaniel Lyon	"	80	"	"	"

I give these figures simply to show the great loss to the Corps and the Department, by Corps being obliged to suspend so many members for non-payment of dues. One Corps might have had another delegate to the present Convention if 8 members had not been suspended, thus causing a loss of 8 in membership to that Corps. How can the

evil be remedied? There are but three Corps that have not suspended any members during the year, viz.: Gunnison No. 12, Kit Carson No. 31, and Geo. Crook No. 35.

Delinquent Corps.

SECOND QUARTER, 1892.

E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff.
Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta.

THIRD QUARTER, 1892.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colo. Spgs.
Greenwood No. 18, Canon City.

FIRST QUARTER, 1893.

Chester A. Arthur No. 33, Sundance, Wyoming.

Relief.

CASH.

Second quarter, 1892...	\$364 01
Third " " ...	170 45
Fourth " " ...	576 35
First " 1893...	564 42

Total amount...\$1,675 23

OTHER THAN MONEY.

Second quarter, 1892...	\$175 65
Third " " ...	215 05
Fourth " " ...	722 80
First " 1893...	543 35

Total amount...\$1,656 85

In the above amounts are included donations to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS
ASSISTED.

Second quarter, 1892.....	14
Third " "	26
Fourth " "	74
First " 1893.....	36

Total number.....150

NUMBER OF SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES
ASSISTED.

Second quarter, 1892.....	83
Third " "	33
Fourth " "	143
First " 1893.....	102

Total number.....361

In relief extended, both in "cash" and "other than money," the three largest Corps lead, but their rank is changed somewhat. Meade having given greatest amount in money and clothing, or other than money; by cash, \$260.15, clothing, \$410.30. Nathaniel Lyon, by cash, \$235.10, clothing, \$219.05. Veteran, by cash, \$189.50, by clothing, \$298.15. Smaller Corps have given proportionately well for their membership, particularly Geo. Washington No. 42; the membership being only 20, and they have given in Relief, by cash, \$60.45, clothing \$107.50 for the year.

ROLL OF HONOR. SECOND QUARTER. 1892.

Upton.....No. 2
Colorado Springs.....No. 4
T. H. Dodd.....No. 5
Geo. G. Meade.....No. 6

Geo. H. Thomas.....No. 26
Nathaniel Lyon.....No. 27
Battle Mountain.....No. 29
Kit Carson.....No. 31

James A. Garfield.....No. 8	McPherson .....No. 32
J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	Geo. Crook .....No. 35
Gunnison .....No. 12	Akron .....No. 36
U. S. Grant.....No. 15	Colorado City .....No. 38
Grand Junction .....No. 17	Pike's Peak .....No. 39
Greenwood .....No. 18	Phil Sheridan .....No. 41
Custer .....No. 20	George Washington...No. 42
W. T. Sherman .....No. 24	Joe Hooker.....No. 43
Thornburg .....No. 25	John C. Fremont.....No. 45
Total.....	26

ROLL OF HONOR, THIRD QUARTER, 1892.

Farragut.....No. 1	Geo. H. Thomas .....No. 26
Upton.....No. 2	Nathaniel Lyon.....No. 27
T. H. Dodd.....No. 5	Battle Mountain.....No. 29
Geo. G. Meade.....No. 6	Kit Carson .....No. 31
E. V. Sumner.....No. 7	McPherson .....No. 32
James A. Garfield.....No. 8	Chester A. Arthur....No. 33
J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	George Crook.....No. 35
Gunnison .....No. 12	Akron.....No. 36
Veteran .....No. 14	E. M. Stanton .....No. 37
Grand Junction .....No. 17	Colorado City .....No. 38
Winfield Scott.....No. 19	Pike's Peak .....No. 39
Custer .....No. 20	Phil Sheridan .....No. 41
W. T. Sherman .....No. 24	Joe Hooker.....No. 43
Thornburg .....No. 25	Holyoke.....No. 44
Total.....	28

ROLL OF HONOR FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1892.

Colorado Springs.....No. 4	Kit Carson .....No. 31
T. H. Dodd.....No. 5	McPherson .....No. 32
E. V. Sumner.....No. 7	Kilpatrick.....No. 34
James A. Garfield.....No. 8	Geo. Crook.....No. 35
J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	E. M. Stanton .....No. 37
Gunnison .....No. 12	Colorado City .....No. 38
Veteran .....No. 14	Pike's Peak.....No. 39
U. S. Grant.....No. 15	M. M. Crocker.....No. 40
Custer .....No. 20	Phil Sheridan .....No. 41
W. T. Sherman .....No. 24	George Washington...No. 42
George H. Thomas....No. 26	Joe Hooker.....No. 43
Nathaniel Lyon.....No. 27	Holyoke.....No. 44
Battle Mountain.....No. 29	J. C. Fremont .....No. 45
Total.....	26

ROLL OF HONOR, FIRST QUARTER, 1893.

Farragut.....No. 1	Thornburg.....No. 25
Upton.....No. 2	Geo. H. Thomas.....No. 26
Colorado Springs.....No. 4	Nathaniel Lyon.....No. 27
T. H. Dodd.....No. 5	Battle Mountain.....No. 29
Geo. G. Meade.....No. 6	Kit Carson.....No. 31
E. V. Sumner.....No. 7	McPherson.....No. 32
James A. Garfield.....No. 8	Geo. Crook.....No. 35
J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	Akron.....No. 36
Gunnison.....No. 12	Pike's Peak.....No. 39
Veteran.....No. 14	M. M. Crocker.....No. 40
U. S. Grant.....No. 15	George Washington.....No. 42
Grand Junction.....No. 17	Joe Hooker.....No. 43
Winfield Scott.....No. 19	Holyoke.....No. 44
Custer.....No. 20	J. C. Fremont.....No. 45
W. T. Sherman.....No. 24	
Total.....	29

ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

T. H. Dodd.....No. 5	Nathaniel Lyon.....No. 27
James A. Garfield.....No. 8	Battle Mountain.....No. 29
J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	Kit Carson.....No. 31
Gunnison.....No. 12	McPherson.....No. 32
Custer.....No. 20	Geo. Crook.....No. 35
W. T. Sherman.....No. 24	Pike's Peak.....No. 39
Geo. H. Thomas.....No. 26	Joe Hooker.....No. 43
Total.....	14

Notwithstanding the instructions that have been repeatedly given in General Orders, in regard to sending quarterly reports to Department Secretary, several of the Corps have persistently forwarded the same to Department Treasurer, at Greeley, thereby causing some two or three days delay in their reaching the proper officer, thus making those Corps too late to be placed on the Roll of Honor, according to the date fixed. Again, some Corps Presidents leave the making out of quarterly reports to the Secretary and Treasurer and sign the reports without looking them over, to assure themselves of their absolute correctness. It should be borne in mind that Corps Presidents are alone held responsible for the correctness of these reports.

A word in regard to electing delegates to Department Convention. Several Corps elected a Past Corps President as delegate. Past Corps

Presidents are representatives to Department Conventions by virtue of their office, and not only the Corps, but the Department loses, when such an election is made.

Corps Disbanded, Fourth Quarter, 1892.

Greenwood No. 18, Canon City.

E. M. Stanton No. 37, Salida.

Colorado City No. 38, Colorado City.

John Schuler No. 28, Sheridan, Wyo., was virtually disbanded last year. No reports having been received this year from that Corps.

Corps Organized 1893.

Major Anderson No. 46, Harris, Colo., April 15, 1893, with 15 Charter members.

Phil Kearney, No. 47, Platteville Colo., May 3, 1893, 12 Charter members. Instituted by Department President Mary L. Carr.

An application for Charter, with 28 Charter members, was received at Department Headquarters May 12, from M. H. Copeland, Post Commander of Sedgewick Post at Durango, Colo. Department President detailed the above Post Commander to Institute Sedgewick Corps No. 48.

With these new Corps our membership up to date numbers 1,313. These Corps being organized in the first and second months of the second quarter 1893 will be accredited to the incoming administration.

During the year, nine Department General Orders, including two Memorial Day Orders, and two circular letters have been issued, also a great number of National Orders, and three National Pass Words, have been sent to the Corps in the Department. A copy of Journal of the Eighth Annual Convention has been sent to all the Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents and delegates to the same.

I have not written as many letters as the Department President nor as many as my predecessor yet my labors during the year have not been light.

And now, to you, Mrs. President. I wish to return thanks for your forbearance and kindness towards me. To the Department officers and Corps officers with whom I have been associated in official relations, I want to say that I have endeavored to be prompt and fair in my dealings with you and the Department. and I thank you for your courtesy towards me. I have found that the work of the

Department Secretary is not without its annoyances, but, I still live, and hoping to aid my successor, I would recommend:

FIRST: That the Department Secretary when sending out Election Return blanks to the Corps President, enclose Installation blanks in envelopes already addressed to the Department I. and I. officer, this blank to be filled out by Installing officer and forwarded immediately after Installations.

SECOND: That on the election returns sent to the Department Secretary, be written the addresses of Corps President, Secretaries, Treasurers and Chaplains, with street and number of those living in cities.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

MARY TELLER BRENBARGER,

Department Secretary.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
GREELEY, May 17, 1893.

MADAM:—In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I herewith submit my financial statement for the year ending May 16, 1893.

MAY S. HOTCHKISS, DEPARTMENT TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE
WOMANS' RELIEF CORPS.

DR.

GENERAL FUND.

May 1, 1892, Cash on hand	\$	352 24
Rec'd for Per Capita Tax		752 40
" " Sale of Supplies		267 17
" " Department Furniture		4 20
" " Badges, National Convention		11 50
" " Home Fund		10 00
		<hr/> \$1,397 51

CR.

Telegrams and Stationery, Boulder Convention	\$	3 00
National Treasurer, Supplies		186 28
" " Per Capita Tax		100 32

Department Sec'y and Treas. Salary.....	100 00	
Postage, Department Officers.....	60 75	
Express	23 35	
Expenses, Council meeting.....	9 05	
Printing General Orders, Stationery.....	68 50	
Department Officers, visiting Corps.....	38 75	
Printing Journals, 8th Convention and express on same.....	145 04	
Expenses Auditing Books.....	21 40	
Silver Badges, National Convention	33 00	
Ribbon " " "	12 00	
Department Pres. Expenses to Nat'l Con....	35 00	
Inspection.....	77 89	
Department Banner	40 00	
Organizing Corps.....	6 50	
Engrossing Charters.....	1 50	
Incidentals.....	4 90	
Expenses Dep't Pres., Sec'y and Treasurer, Pueblo Convention	28 50	
Incidentals for Dep't Convention, Pueblo	5 00	
Souvenir Spoon, Nat. President	3 00	
Transferred to Department Relief Fund, Per Capita Tax.....	75 15	
	<u>\$</u>	1,078 88
Cash balance on hand		318 63
		<u>\$1,397 51</u>

RELIEF FUND.

DR.

May 1, 1892, Cash on hand.....	\$ 33 91	
Received from Gen'l Fund, Per Capita Tax ..	75 15	
Bal. Funds, disbanded Corps.....	18 48	
Bal. Home Fund.....	13 00	
	<u>\$</u>	140 54

CR.

Paid Chairman Relief Com., Dep't Relief	\$ 85 00	
	<u>\$</u>	85 00
Cash Balance on hand		55 54
		<u>\$ 140 54</u>

HOME FUND.

DR.

May 1, 1892, Cash on hand	\$ 10 00	
Contributions from Corps.....	204 00	
	<u>\$</u>	214 00

Cr Paid Soldiers' Home	\$ 190 00	
Freight on quilts	1 00	
Transferred to General Fund	10 00	
" Relief "	13 00	
	<u> \$</u>	214 00

LIST OF SUPPLIES ON HAND MAY 15, 1893.

84 Badges, all grades	\$ 33 60	
33 Emblems	3 30	
4 Yards Badge Ribbon	1 00	
30 Discharge Cards	60	
4 Transfer "	08	
20 Visiting "	40	
2 Order files	1 20	
3 Letter files	2 10	
10 Rules and Regulation	70	
4 Corps Requisition books	80	
150 Arrearage blanks	75	
4 Red Books	2 60	
3 Blue Books	3 00	
4 Electrotypes	1 40	
31 Rituals	7 75	
8 Par. Rules	6 00	
9 Burial Service Books	90	
10 Service books	2 50	
6 In. March	1 50	
8 Opening Ode	80	
1 Order Book	50	
3 Receipt Books	1 50	
1 Journal	80	
3 Cash Books	2 70	
3 Roll Books	2 70	
3 Treas. Bonds	06	
19 Ode Cards	1 90	
75 Applications of Membership	75	
8 Dep't Del. badges	24 00	
1½ Yd. Charter Ribbon	25	
80 Gilt Seals	50	
1 Trunk	3 00	
400 Sec'y and Treas. blanks .....	....
58 Relief Reports .....	....
80 Election returns .....	....
16 Appli. Charter .....	....
55 I. and I. Reports .....	....
	<u> \$</u>	109 64

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

1 Seal.....	\$	7 50
1 Charter		10 00
1 Dep't Service Book.....		50
Dep't Treas. Books.....		10 00
Dep't Banners.....		193 00
		----- \$ 221 00

TOTAL ASSETS.

Balance Gen'l Fund	\$	318 63
" Relief Fund		55 54
Supplies on hand		109 64
Department Property.....		221 00
		----- \$ 704 81

RECOMMENDATIONS.

No. 1.—That Corps Treasurer Bonds be furnished free to all Corps. Department Secretary to send the same with Corps Secretary and Treasurer Blanks, the last quarter of the year.

No. 2.—That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blank, the amount due to accompany the order as per Rules and Regulations.

No. 3.—That all supplies ordered sent by mail be registered, the Corps paying registry fee.

To our Department President, I wish to extend my hearty thanks for the kindness and consideration shown me on all occasions. Owing to circumstances over which I had no control, I have not been able to perform my duties in the manner I should have liked, but at all times I have been met with sympathy and help from her, and but for her patience and forbearance, would have been forced to have given up the duties of my office early in the year.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. and L.

MAY S. HOTCHKISS,
Department Treas.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
DENVER, May 17, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit the following report as Chaplain of this Department for the year just closing. I am glad to be able to say, that throughout the entire Department there has been a decided increase of interest in Memorial Day services, every Corps reporting as attending in a body; 35 Corps report, as taking part, representing a membership of 1220. Number of members taking part in Memorial Day service, 669, assisted by 2081 children; 1378 soldiers' graves were decorated. Amount of cash expended \$244.25; 29 Corps prepared Memorials for the unknown dead, 6 Corps furnished refreshments for Posts.

Farragut Corps No. 1, Denver, Colorado, Rosetta, Fairchilds, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 43, members taking part 25. Corps met two days previous to Memorial Day, with the members of the other five Corps of Denver and circle of the Ladies of the G. A. R., and made evergreen wreaths to the number of over 400; these were placed on the soldiers' graves by the Ladies' Aid Society assisted by the Sons of Veterans. A Memorial Service was held by the G. A. R. Posts in the Soldiers' lot in cemetery.

Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, Colorado, E. J. Myres, Chaplain, reports: Membership 31. Number taking part 26. The W. R. C., assisted by the Ladies' Aid Society and Sons of Veterans, decorated the Soldiers' graves. Services Sunday and Monday evening were well attended. A fine dinner was provided for Post and Sons of Veterans. Flowers were purchased for Post to the amount of \$30.00.

Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, Elizabeth Farrar, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 53. Number taking part 20. The Friday evening previous to Memorial Day a Memorial Concert was given by the Public Schools of the City, about 1,000 children taking part. On Sunday evening a Memorial Service was held in the First

Congregational Church and a very eloquent sermon was delivered by the pastor; the G. A. R. and W. R. C. attended in a body. On Monday evening a Memorial address was delivered by Rev. Myron Reed of Denver.

T. H. Dodd Corps No 5, Golden, Colorado, Laura Edwards, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 55. Number taking part in Memorial Day service 40. The memorial and decoration Services were largely attended. The W. R. C. presented the Veterans each with a small flag and a bouquet and the Sons of Veterans with bouquets. It was estimated that 1,000 people took part in the services at the graves of the defenders of our country.

Geo. G. Meade Corps, No. 6, Denver, Colorado, Emma H. Smith, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 93. Number taking part in Memorial Day service, 50. At their regular meeting the Friday preceding Memorial Day they held Memorial Service and a very interesting program was rendered by different members of the Corps.

E. V. Sumner Corps No. 7, Silver Cliff, Colorado, Julia A. Doyle, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 24. Number taking part in Memorial service, 11; soldiers' graves decorated, 18; children taking part 20.

James A. Garfield Corps No. 8, Leadville, Colorado (Name of Chaplain not given), gives the following interesting report: Membership of Corps 60. Number taking part in Services 56. Memorial Day was fittingly observed, and due reverence and respect was paid our fallen heroes. The graves in Evergreen cemetery were elaborately decorated with cut flowers, vines and growing plants. On each soldiers' grave was placed a wreath of flowers and small flag with a white ribbon bearing the letters, G. A. R. After the oration delivered at the cemetery an excellent supper was served to a large number of Veterans and others. The W. R. C. ably assisted in carrying out the work of the day.

J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyoming, Hattie E. Cowhick, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps, 35. Corps attended Memorial service in a body. 37 soldiers' graves were decorated. The soldiers' Monument was beautifully decorated with evergreens, a broken column was built with anchor suspended, both twined with evergreen. The churches were elaborately decorated with lovely plants and flowers.

Gunnison Relief Corps No. 12, Gunnison, Colorado, Ella Allen, Chaplain, sends report: Membership of Corps 30. Number taking part in Memorial service 13. The Corps attended Memorial Day service in a body. 10 soldiers' graves were decorated, 150 children taking part in the work. G. A. R. Memorial services were held, an address was delivered by Hon. C. S. Libby of Buena Vista, Colorado. Citizens in general took part in Memorial services.

Veteran Corps No. 14, Denver, Colorado, Fannie Ladd, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 116. Members taking part 25. Corps attended in a body Memorial Day Services. The school children of the city took an active part on Memorial Day. There seems to be an increasing interest each year in this beautiful sad service, a spirit of patriotism is being inculcated in the minds of the children who are taught to love and revere the memory of those who offered their lives for their flag and country.

U. S. Grant Corps, No. 15, Greeley, Colorado, Rachel E. Eaton, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 79. Number taking part in Memorial service 30. 23 soldiers' graves were decorated. The Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans also took an active part in Memorial services.

Grand Junction Corps No. 17, Grand Junction, Colorado, M. A. Smith Reid, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 27. Number taking part in Memorial services 17. Corps attended in a body. 8 Soldiers' graves were decorated, 30 children taking part in the services.

Greenwood Relief Corps No. 18, Canon City, Colorado, Lizzie Scott, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps, 19. Number taking part in Memorial services 12. Corps attended in a body, 30 soldiers' graves were decorated, 13 children taking part in services.

Winfield Scott Corps No. 19, Aspen, Colorado, Gwendoline Powell, Chaplain, sends the following report; Membership of Corps 35. Number taking part in Memorial Service 21. Corps attending in a body, 38 soldiers' graves were decorated. A beautiful floral anchor was placed on Cenotaph in memory of the unknown dead. Great interest was taken in Decoration day by citizens generally and the day was fittingly observed,

Custer Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming, Martha Boise, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps, 51. Number taking part in Memor-

ial Day services, 30. Corps attending in a body. 32 soldiers' graves were decorated, 56 children taking part. Owing to inclement weather the parade and other interesting features were omitted. A detachment from the G. A. R. equipped in overcoats and umbrellas were detailed to decorate the soldiers' graves. All other exercises were conducted in the opera house and were interesting and well attended.

W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24, Evans, Colorado, Maggie I. McCain, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 19. Number taking part in Memorial Day service 14. Corps attended in a body. 8 soldiers' graves were decorated, 24 children taking part. An address was delivered by Department President, Mary L. Carr. Post and Corps joined together in giving a dinner in hall after ceremony at cemetery.

Thornburg Corps No. 25, Georgetown, Colorado, Caroline Hart, Chaplain, reports as follows: Membership of Corps 11. Number taking part in Memorial Day service 7. Corps attended in a body. On account of rain and sickness, attendance was small on Decoration Day.

Geo. H. Thomas Corps No. 26, Fort Collins, Colorado, S. H. Seckner, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 24. Number taking part on Decoration Day 24. Corps attended Memorial service in a body, 54 soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial Day was generally observed. Nearly all the business houses were closed. An oration was delivered at the opera house by Rev. Broadhead of Denver, Colo.; the platform was beautifully decorated with choice flowers, a dinner was given, the proceeds of which went to replenish the relief fund.

Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, Boulder, Colorado, Lucy S. Norton, Chaplain, reports: Membership 76. Number taking part in Memorial service 35. Corps attending in a body. 51 soldiers' graves were decorated, 4 graves of women were decorated, one a former member of W. R. C. No. 27, one a daughter of a Veteran and two widows of Veterans.

Battle Mountain Corps No. 29, Red Cliff, Colorado, Hannah B. Nichols, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 25. Number taking part in Memorial Day service 20. 10 soldiers' graves were decorated.

Kit Carson Corps No. 31, Lamar, Colorado, Celestia Barker, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 16. Number taking part in Memorial Day service 14, 2 soldiers' graves were decorated. The exercises by the G. A. R. were beautifully rendered.

McPherson Corps No. 32, Longmont, Colorado, Mary A. Yates, Chaplain, reports: Membership 44. Number taking part, 40, Corps attended in a body, 17 soldiers' graves were decorated. A floral festival by 44 children representing the states was carried out with great success.

Chester A. Arthur Corps No. 33, Sundance, Wyoming, Membership 11. Number taking part in Memorial service 10. Corps attended in a body, 4 soldiers' graves were decorated, a memorial to the unknown dead was prepared.

Kilpatrick Corps No. 34, La Junta, Colorado, Sarah Spane, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 18, all the members taking part in Memorial services. 12 soldiers' graves were decorated. In the afternoon all met together in the park and listened to several prominent speakers. Music was rendered by band and Glee club.

Geo. Crook Corps No. 35, Tie Siding, Wyoming, Larena Cates, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 16. Number taking part in Memorial service 11, 3 soldiers' graves were decorated. About 125 people attended the Memorial services. The little village of Tie Siding has about 50 inhabitants; the Post and Corps are scattered all through the mountains, some living 16 miles distant from the village.

Akron Corps No. 36, Akron, Colorado, Laura Kent, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 18. Number taking part in Memorial services 15. Services were held in one of the churches, which was attended by G. A. R., W. R. C. and citizens generally.

E. M. Stanton Corps No. 37, Salida, Colorado, N. P. Hervey, Chaplain, reports: Membership 8. Corps attended in a body; 35 soldiers' graves were decorated.

Colorado City Corps No. 38, Colorado City, Colorado, Eliza Blenther, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 20. Number taking part in Memorial service, 8. 8 soldiers' graves were decorated, and a memorial to the unknown dead was prepared.

Pike's Peak Corps No 39, Manitou, Colorado, Sarah Davis, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 39. Number taking part in

Memorial services 15, attending in a body, 4 soldiers' graves were decorated. Services were held in one of the churches which were largely attended.

M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, Denver, Colorado, Eliza F. Le Fever, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 49. Corps attended Memorial service in a body, 40 soldiers' graves were decorated.

Phil. Sheridan Corps No. 41, Buena Vista, Colorado, Nellie E. Fuller, Chaplain, reports; Membership of Corps 31. Number taking part in Memorial service 29, the Corps attended in a body, 52 soldiers' graves were decorated. Decoration Day was observed with more than usual enthusiasm, the sermon was one which would inspire loyal devotion to the cause and which would inculcate a spirit of patriotism in our children.

Geo. Washington Corps No. 42, Denver, Colorado, Mary Neeley, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 25. Number attending Memorial service 20. The Corps as a body attended the Memorial services which were held in the People's Theater; Rev. J. D. Rankin delivered the address which was pronounced by the old Veterans as one of the very best discourses ever delivered on Memorial Day in Denver.

Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, Monte Vista, Colorado, Mrs. Fulton, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 16. Number taking part in Memorial services 9, Corps attended in a body, 12 soldiers' graves were decorated, memorial to the unknown was prepared.

Holyoke Corps No. 44, Holyoke, Colorado, Mary Morris, Chaplain, reports: Membership 27, all the members taking part in Memorial services; 2 soldiers' graves were decorated. Corps marched with the Post to the M. E. church where interesting exercises were held under the auspices of Holyoke Post No. 51. Memorial Day "General Order" of Department President read by Corps President. A crowded house and much interest shown. Church beautifully decorated.

Jno. C. Fremont Corps No. 45, Littleton, Colorado, Jennie Misner, Chaplain, reports: Membership of Corps 18. Number taking part 15. Corps attended in a body the Memorial services. 8 soldiers' graves were decorated.

The year has brought with it many changes in our ranks. Some have answered the final summons, that sooner or later must come to us all, while we are left to carry on the good work of relieving the

needy and suffering comrades, and those who are dependent upon them.

The names of deceased members that have been forwarded to me by the several Corps are as follows:

[REDACTED]
Mrs. Marguerite M. Nowland, J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyoming, June 8, 1892.

Mary E. Cheney, Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, Monte Vista, Colorado, July 13, 1892.

Mrs. Adelia J. Babcock, (Army Nurse,) T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5, Golden, Colo., Aug. 4, 1892.

Mrs. Catherine Norris, Pike's Peak Corps No. 39, Manitou, Colo., December 5, 1892.

Mrs. Nottage, Custer Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., Feb. 25, 1893.

Mrs. Emma L. Barron, Custer Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming, March 21, 1893.

Mrs. Hannah B. Wilson, Farragut Corps No. 1, Denver, Colo., April 6, 1893.

[REDACTED]
I would suggest that Department Chaplains write to each Corps Chaplain, not reporting, before compiling her report to National Chaplain, as the blanks sent out sometimes fail to reach the Corps, and the reports when returned, are not always received by the Department Chaplain, besides small Corps often need prompting in forwarding Memorial reports. These reports are of great interest to our Order, and none should be left out.

If our Rules and Regulations were changed to permit the sending of Memorial Blanks direct to Corps Chaplains, it would in my opinion, insure more prompt returns from those officers.

I would recommend that General Orders containing the address of Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.

And now in conclusion I would return thanks to all members and officers I have been associated with during the year. To the Department President especially, do I feel grateful for her many kind words of sympathy and encouragement she has shown towards me.

And I trust that the incoming year may be marked with a renewed energy throughout the Department.

Yours in F. C. & L.

MARY A. CONDIT,

Department Chaplain.

Memorial Report of Department Chaplain, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., 1892-3.

NAME OF CORPS.	No. of Corps.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	No. of Members Taking Part in Memorial Day Services.	Did Corps as a Body attend the Sabbath Memorial Service?	How many Soldiers' Graves were Decorated?	How many Members' Graves were marked with our Flag and decorated?	How many Children took part?	What expense was incurred?	Were Refreshments Provided for the Post?	Were Flowers Provided by Post for Purchase or Contribution.	Was a Memorial Prepared to "Unknown Dead."	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
1 Arrington	43	Denver	25	Yes	80	21	\$ 00 00	No	Purchase	Yes	Purchase	Yes	A Memorial Concert held by the School Children.
2 Arapahoe	31	Pueblo	25	Yes	75	100	30 40	Yes	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
3 Colorado Springs	53	Colorado Springs	26	Yes	49	100	00 00	No	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
4 H. Dodd	55	Golden	50	Yes	40	100	00 00	Yes	Purchase	"	Purchase	"	
5 W. G. Meade	93	Denver	50	Yes	80	20	00 00	No	Contributed	"	Contributed	No	The day was fittingly observed.
6 V. Sumner	24	Silver Cliff	56	Yes	18	400	00 00	Yes	Purchase	"	Purchase	Yes	Citizens in General took part.
7 A. Garfield	60	Leadville	11	Yes	110	000	70 00	No	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
8 F. Reynolds	35	Cheyenne, Wyo.	30	Yes	37	150	21 50	"	Purchase	"	Purchase	"	S. of V. and D. of V. took part in Service. Services well attended.
9 Gunnison	116	Denver	30	Yes	10	000	00 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
10 Veteran	79	Greenlee	30	Yes	23	40	7 50	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
11 S. Grant	27	Grand Junction	17	Yes	8	30	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
12 Grand Junction	27	Grand Junction	17	Yes	30	13	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
13 Greenwood	19	Canon City	12	Yes	38	225	19 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
14 infield Scott	35	Aspen	21	Yes	32	24	18 50	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
15 T. Sherman	51	Laramie, Wyoming	30	Yes	8	00	2 40	Yes	Purchase	"	Purchase	No	
16 Hornburg	11	Fort Collins	7	Yes	54	61	29 25	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	Yes	
17 H. Thomas	24	Boulder	24	Yes	51	100	5 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
18 H. H. Thomas	76	Sheridan, Wyo.	35	Yes	10	20	5 50	"	Both	"	Both	"	Floral Festival held by Children.
19 John Schuler	25	Red Cliff	14	Yes	2	00	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
20 Little Mountain	26	Lamar	20	Yes	10	00	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
21 Carson	16	Longmont	14	Yes	2	44	12 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
22 Elpherson	44	Sundance, Wyoming	10	Yes	4	00	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
23 Elpherson	11	La Junta	10	Yes	12	75	6 70	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
24 Elpherson	16	Tie Siding, Wyoming	11	Yes	3	52	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
25 Crook	16	Akron	15	Yes	0	40	0 00	No	Contributed	"	Contributed	No	Slim attendance on account of rain.
26 M. Stanton	8	Salida	8	Yes	35	0	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	Yes	
27 Colorado City	20	Colorado City	15	Yes	4	00	0 00	"	Purchase	"	Purchase	"	Day was observed with enthusiasm.
28 M. Crocker	39	Nantou	39	Yes	80	100	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
29 M. Crocker	49	Denver	29	Yes	62	100	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
30 M. Crocker	31	Buena Vista	29	Yes	310	175	3 75	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
31 M. Crocker	25	Denver	20	Yes	12	100	7 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
32 George Washington	16	Monroe Vista	9	Yes	2	100	0 00	"	Contributed	"	Contributed	"	
33 George Washington	16	Holyoke	27	Yes	0	120	5 75	"	Both	"	Both	No	
34 George Washington	18	Littleton	15	Yes	0	120	5 75	"	Both	"	Both	No	
35 C. Fremont	18	Littleton	15	Yes	0	120	5 75	"	Both	"	Both	No	
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Respectfully submitted,

MARY A. CONDIT, Dept't Chaplain.

REPORT OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR,
 COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 GUNNISON, May 17, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM:—I have the honor to submit the following report of the inspection of the Corps in this Department for the year ending August 31, 1892:

Soon after my appointment to the office of Inspector, I consulted with the Department President in regard to the inspection of the Corps in this Department, and after a full discussion as to the best plans for making the inspection effective, with the least possible expense, it was decided to divide the Departments into Districts, and appoint an Inspector for each District. The Department President offering to inspect a large number of the Corps at the same time of paying her official visit, and I am happy to state that this plan was fully carried out, and that all the Corps in the Department with three exceptions, were visited by the Inspector and her assistants.

Number of Corps on September 1, 1891, 35.

Number of Corps disbanded, 1.

Number of Corps in good standing, 34.

Total membership of Corps, 1,265.

Total gain in membership, 150.

Total number of meetings, 945.

Average attendance of officers, 7 per cent.

Average attendance of officers and members, 14.5 per cent.

Number of Rituals complete in every Corps but one.

Amount charged for initiation without badge, in all Corps but one \$1, Custer Corps of Larimer City charging \$1.50.

Amount in Relief Fund.....	\$ 755 37
Cash expended in Relief.....	1,674 73
Relief other than money.....	960 90
Turned over to Post.....	256 90

Total expended in Relief.....\$2,892 53

To Veteran Corps belongs the honor of the largest membership, 131. Also greatest amount in Relief, cash and otherwise, \$463.63.

[To Meade belongs the honor of having expended the greatest amount of money in Relief, \$278.16.

M. M. Crocker Corps, the greatest gain in membership, 27.

[The remarks of the Inspector, summarizing the conditions of the Corps, are omitted, in compliance with decision of 10th National Convention.]

If the time of Inspection could be changed so as to give the condition of the Department up to the end of the year preceding the Department Convention, it would be much more satisfactory.

It is hoped that our National Convention will see fit to make some change in the time of inspection.

I find in many of the Corps a non-fulfillment of duties on the part of the Finance Committee; in two cases this committee has been entirely ignorant of its duties, and reports have been made without books being audited.

This committee should see that correct records are kept, and *must* audit the books at the end of each quarter. Corps Presidents should examine the books frequently, and become familiar with the work of the Secretary and Treasurer, and the manner of filling out reports. I would suggest that more attention be paid to the reading of General Orders. Many of the Corps Secretaries read them in such a manner that the members fail to appreciate or understand the information given.

I would also suggest that the President of the Corps call the attention of the members to important matter contained in General Orders. Also, that Corps bear the expense of Department Officers in making their official visitations, and not leave it to the Corps President to entertain them at her own expense.

The Inspection in this Department shows an increased interest in carrying out the Rules and Regulations in a proper manner, and an earnest devotion to the soldiers and their dependent ones.

I would earnestly suggest that all questions asked in Inspection Blanks, be fully answered by Assistant Inspectors, and the true condition of the Corps be given under the head of remarks.

That special attention be given by the Department Officers to the visiting and instruction of small Corps remote from headquarters.

The cost of Inspection was seventy-seven dollars and eighty-nine cents. This reduction in the cost of Inspection from former years was on account of the division of the Department into Districts, and an increase in the number of Inspectors, thereby saving traveling expenses.

The work of the Ritual is memorized by five Corps, and partly so by all others. In most instances it is otherwise accurately performed. The work of the Corps Secretaries and Treasurers show improvement, and where errors do occur, it is more from the lack of experience than from any other cause.

I wish to extend thanks to the officers and members of the Corps visited, who made my stay among them so pleasant. I will cherish only bright memories of the work, which has been not only pleasant, but profitable to me. To the Assistant Inspectors, who have in every instance performed the work faithfully and promptly I am greatly indebted.

To our worthy President, Mary L. Carr, who honored me with the appointment of Inspector, I am under special obligations, for assuming so much of the work, and also for kindly advice given. I trust the effort to perform the duties of my office promptly and conscientiously will evince my appreciation of the honor conferred.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

JESSIE SHARP PURRIER,
Department Inspector.



REPORT OF DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICER.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT I. AND I. OFFICER,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
LAMAR, MAY 15, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM:—I have the honor to present a consolidated Report of the Instituting and Installing officer for the years 1892 and 1893.

The officers of the various Corps in the Department have been installed into their offices on the following dates:

Farragut No. 1, Denver, January 18th, Catharine C. Kennedy, Installing Officer; Corps President, Jennie McGill.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, January 6th, Comrade D. L. Holden, Installing Officer; Corps President, Clara V. Donaldson.

Colorado Springs No. 4, January 3d, Ella L. C. Dwinell, Installing Officer; Corps President, Lucy Wheeler.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, January 12th, Comrade George West, Installing Officer; Corps President, Charlotte R. Coe.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, January 16th, America Anderson, Installing Officer; Corps President, Frances S. Klock.

Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, Leadville, January 5th, Comrade A. V. Bohn, Installing Officer; Corps President, Mary Bown.

General J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne, January 6th, Hattie E. Cowhick, Installing Officer; Corps President, Emily E. O'Brien.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison, January 4th, Eugenia W. Olney, Installing Officer; Corps President, Emma L. Martin.

Veteran No. 14, Denver, January 5th, Comrade H. W. Todd, Installing Officer; Corps President, Lucy M. Capron.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, January 5th, Jennie G. Harper, Installing Officer; Corps President, Annie B. Sanborn.

Grand Junction No. 17, January 15th, Comrade Baldwin, Installing Officer; Corps President, Harriet E. Abbey.

Winfield Scott No. 19, first meeting in January, Martha Mattoon, Installing Officer; Corps President, Hannah B. Johnson.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, January 9th, Sarah W. Pease, Installing Officer; Corps President, Anna Bristol.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans, January 4th, Lydia C. Young, Installing Officer; Corps President, Maggie I. McLain.

Thornburg No. 25, Georgetown, January 6th, George E. Marsh, Installing Officer; Corps President, Edna Hood.

George H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins, January 14th, Mary L. Carr, Installing Officer; Corps President, Elnora Baker.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, January 3d, H. O. Dodge, Installing Officer; Corps President, Isa Crosby.

Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff, January 13th, Post Commander H. W. Goodrich, Installing Officer; Corps President, Dora Greiner.

Kit Carson No. 31, Lamar, January 12th, Ellen B. Billow, Installing Officer; Corps President, Edna K. Gould.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont, January 3d, Mary L. Carr, Installing Officer; Corps President, Eva G. Coffin.

C. A. Arthur No. 33, Sundance, Wyoming, January 10th, Harriet Settle, Installing Officer; Corps President, Harriet Settle.

Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta, January 3d, Maggie Laur, Installing Officer; Corps President, Helen Manley.

George Crook No. 35, Tie Siding, January 14th, L. M. Davis, Installing Officer; Corps President, Mina F. Hawkes.

Akron No. 36, Akron, January 6th, Martha Atkins, Installing Officer; Corps President, Glenna Langley.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou, January 7th, Alfred Cree, Installing Officer, Corps President, Frances Johnson.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver, January 2d, Lucy M. Capron, Installing Officer; Corps President, Lucy M. Campbell.

Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista, January 6th, Comrade Henry Logan, Installing Officer; Corps President, Mary E. Campbell.

George Washington No. 42, Denver, January 3d, Jennie McGill, Installing Officer; Corps President Annie E. Phillips.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista, January 3d, C. S. Aldrich, Installing Officer; Corps President, Eliza Sickles.

Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, January 7th, Comrade M. D. Copp, Installing Officer; Corps President, Lizzie M. Reynolds.

John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton, January 4th, Jennie McGill, Installing Officer; Corps President Carrie Rogers.

There have been two new Corps organized in the Department, with an aggregate Charter membership of twenty-eight (28.)

The first Corps instituted during the present administration, was Major Anderson Corps No. 46, Harris, Colo. Instituted by Mary L. Carr, Department President.

This Corps starts out with sixteen Charter members.

Mrs. Campbell, President of M. M. Crocker Corps, of Denver, and about twenty members of the same Corps, and Mrs. Laura S. Dodge, S. V. P., were present and assisted in Installation, which was public.

The second Corps was Phil. Kearney, No. 47, Platteville, organized May 3d, installed by Mary L. Carr, Department President. It started out with twelve Charter members. The officers are a very energetic class of women.

Most Corps report joint installation with Posts. Several had musical entertainments, while others report having refreshments and a good time generally. I have not done as much work as I should like to have done, owing to poor health and absence from the Department, all of last summer.

In closing my report, I wish to acknowledge the kindness which I received from officers and members of the W. R. C., and to our esteemed President I wish to express my gratitude and heartfelt thanks for the many kind words spoken and written.

I would suggest that all Corps hold public and joint installations with Posts, whenever practicable.

I would also suggest that Corps Presidents forward report of installations direct to Instituting and Installing officer, as it will save annoyance and a great deal of unnecessary correspondence.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

ELLEN B. BILLOW,
Instituting and Installing Officer.



REPORT OF DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COUNSELOR,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
GREELEY, May 17, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

MADAM:—In accordance with the requirements of the office of Counselor to the Department President, I have the honor to present the following report, which includes the questions submitted by her, with the opinions given.

JUNE 3, 1893.—

1. *Question.* Does a member ever pay dues in advance when she takes a Transfer Card?

Answer. She should not. If her dues are paid, the President shall give her a Transfer Card, signed by herself and the Secretary, upon verbal or written application to the President at a regular meeting. Chap. II. Art. IV. Sec 2, Rules and Regulations.

2. *Question.* How were delegates' expenses paid to the National Convention last year? Is there authority for paying expenses of the delegate-at-large, out of the Department funds?

Answer. Last year (1891), the transportation committee of the Grand Army of Colorado and Wyoming, gave transportation to five representatives of the W. R. C. to Detroit and return. I can find no authority for paying the expenses of the delegate-at-large to National Conventions from the Department Funds.

JANUARY 2, 1893.—

3. *Question.* Is it necessary to detail Past Corps Presidents to install the officers of the Corps of which they are members?

Answer. It is not necessary, but if a Post Commander or a member from another Corps be selected by the officers elect, the Department President must detail the one selected, according to Sec. 3, of Chap. II. Art. VII.

JANUARY 2, 1893.

4. *Question.* If Corps fail to elect officers in December at the first regular meeting, as prescribed by the Rules and Regulations, and if they do not elect at all, what then?

Answer. I understand that Annie Wittenmeyer our highest authority, approves of election of officers at adjourned meetings, or at special meetings, in emergencies. See Red Book, pages 57, 58 and 59. Small Corps would sometimes be lost, were it not for this provision. At the first regular meeting in December, if a quorum is not present, "the members present should adjourn from month to month, until they can secure a quorum; a record of the proceedings should be kept by the Secretary, or Secretary pro-tem, and all the business they have transacted should be reviewed and acted upon when a quorum is secured, in order to make the work legal." This method was allowed in a Corps in Maine, by the National President, when they could not secure a quorum through the winter months. Of course, in this case the officers could not have been elected in December. Adjourned meetings only occur when there is not a quorum present. Corps Presidents always *close* the regular meetings.

FEBRUARY, 1893.—

5. *Question.* Under the head of "Admission for Membership" in Rules and Regulations it says that the initiation fee shall not be less than one dollar. Are Corps not at liberty to make it more than one dollar?

Answer. Charter fee is fixed by National Convention at one dollar. (National President Charity Rusk Craig in circular letter No. 2, of Journal of Seventh National Convention.) The admission fee of Charter members shall be the *same* as that of members admitted on application. Chap. II. Sec. 1, R. & R.

APRIL 14, 1893.—

6. *Question.* Can a Corps by its By-Laws, establish a fee for re-instatement of members dropped? Several Corps have a fee established, and I have not approved it.

Answer. You are right. It is contrary to the Rules and Regulations for Corps to establish such a fee. (Chap. V. Art. IV. Sec. 2 of R. & Reg.) In this section under the head of arrearages, Corps will find that the fee for re-instatement must be decided (and paid) when the member is re-instated, and by a two-thirds vote of the members present on that day.

The year has been filled with constant work for our Department President. She has taken many a long and wearisome journey, necessitating night travel, for the instruction and encouragement of small

Corps. Care and anxiety for the welfare of this great Department have been her constant companions, and she has worked as only one could, who had her whole heart enlisted for its success.

Her faithfulness and thoroughness could not have been excelled. This fact has been brought to my attention week by week, with the questions she has propounded for her Counselor to answer.

She has driven investigation through every National Journal and other sources back to the very inception of the Order for exact knowledge of the work.

Having been present at the National Organization of the Woman's Relief Corps in Denver in 1883, she has watched its progress with all the interest of a charter member, and has become by her untiring energy eminently qualified for any work in this Order, and particularly to secure to it a history of its progress in this Department.

I thoroughly appreciate the courtesies extended to me by the Corps through the Department President.

In closing this report of my third year of Department Work, I wish to assure our Department President, that her confidence in my knowledge of the rules governing our Order, has been an inspiration to me, as her Counselor.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,
Counselor.



REPORT OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM: As chairman of the Executive Board I submit the following report:

My first official act was to dispose of the furniture belonging to the Department. It may be surprising to some, that we realized so little; \$4.25; but taking into consideration, that it had to be moved, and that we had no place to move it, you will see that it was advisable to sell it at a nominal price. The amount realized from this sale was placed in the Department Relief Fund. It has been my pleasure to visit eleven Corps, besides my own, during the year. I have formed many new acquaintances, and I am proud to say they are working with energy, knowing that our work is not like most charitable work to go on to the end of time, but will end in a few years when the last hero and his dependent ones is at rest.

The Corps most remote from home which I visited, was Battle Mountain Corps at Red Cliff. One Sabbath morning I climbed the mountain to the Cemetery, and although it was several weeks after Memorial Day the Flag and Wreath were there to mark the last resting place of Soldiers, and to show to strangers the work of our sisters. Unexpectedly I met our President there, which added to the interest of the visit.

I visited the Corps at Colorado Springs, Colorado City, Manitou, and Pueblo, officially. I intended to go to Cañon City had I not been notified that it would be of no use. In company with our President, I attended a camp-fire at Pueblo. I have made one trip to Greeley, to meet the Auditing Committee. I have attended all meetings of the Council, and have failed but once to meet with the Auditing Committee. What little I have done was at my expense. If I have in any way lightened the burdens of our President, I am amply repaid. She says in her address that she has written 600 letters, of that number I have received about thirty, and you will see that I have had something to do to answer her letters.

At the beginning of the present administration I promised to assist to the best of my ability. If I have failed to perform any duties as-

signed me it was unintentional. I have often gone to our President for advice, and it was so kindly given, that I have not felt as though I was trespassing upon her valuable time. To my associate officers, I have the kindest of feelings and love; not one unkind word has been spoken.

My work has been very pleasant to me, and I should lay it down in sadness, did I not know that one more capable would take it up.

Yours in F. C. & L.

JANETTE L. TODD,
Chairman of Executive Board.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

DENVER, COLO., May 1st, 1893.

MAR. T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM: It gives your committee great pleasure to report to you what we have done toward assisting a few of our comrades, and their families, for the past year.

I received my appointment July 1st, 1892, the beginning of the second quarter of our year.

I had no call for relief during the month of July and August. In September, 1892, furnished two tickets for two comrades, one to Pueblo, \$4.60, and one to Leadville \$7.50, the whole amount being \$12.10, also furnished employment for two widows of our comrades. This was all we did for the second Quarter, ending September 30th, 1892.

THIRD QUARTER BEGINNING OCTOBER 1ST, 1892.

Furnished Transportation for an Army Nurse to Los Angeles, California. As I had no means at the time, and she being sick, and very anxious to go, I thought best to send her. I called on the First Baptist Church of this City, and also on the various Corps, and the Ladies Aid, Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans of this City, and through their kind assistance raised \$30.00 which was the fare to the above named City. I paid \$2.50 for a berth in the sleeper, and gave her \$2.50 for traveling expenses, and also a lunch which amounted to seventy five cents, the whole amounting to \$35.75, \$5.75 of which I paid myself.

October 15th, 1892, I received from the Department \$15.00, and assisted a family of two to \$3.00 in cash, and also furnished employment to three Daughters of Veterans, the above being all we did during the third quarter ending December 31st, 1892.

Money received during third quarter, amounted to \$15.00 and money expended amounted to \$8.75. Amount on hand at the end of third quarter, \$6.25.

FOURTH QUARTER, BEGINNING JANUARY 1ST, 1893.

Assisted two families, of two and three persons each, to coal amounting to \$8.00.

On January 21st, I received \$25.00 from the Department, and on February 14th, assisted a family to coal amounting to \$4.00, and also to groceries amounting to \$4.90. March 1st, 1893, assisted a widow to \$1.00 in cash, and on March 31st, received \$30.00 from the Department to send to Colorado Springs, for the purpose of assisting three orphan children, whose father was a soldier in the late war. Himself and wife both died leaving the children destitute, and the Corps in Colorado Springs worked so hard to take care of them, by giving dime socials, that our President thought it best to send them \$30.00 as it would be a little help to them; the above being all we did for our year ending March 31st, 1893.

Money received from October 15th, 1892, to March 31st, 1893, amounted to \$70.00 and money expended from October 15th, 1892, to March 31st, 1893, amounted to \$55.65, leaving a total amount on hand of \$14.35.

FIRST QUARTER, BEGINNING APRIL 1, 1893, ENDING JUNE 1, 1893.

April 14th, assisted a family to coal amounting to \$2.25, and also to \$2.50 in cash, April 19th, assisted a family in Eastonville Colo., to \$10.00 in cash. The above being all we have done so far during this quarter.

April 1st, 1893, amount of cash on hand, \$14.35, amount expended \$14.75.

April 19th, 1893, received from the Department \$15.00.

My expenses up to May 15th, dating from the time of my appointment, car fare \$4.50, stamps and stationary \$1.00, total amount being \$5.50.

Money on hand May 15th, 1893, \$9.50.

Have furnished clothing to the amount of \$30.00, and have made ninty-four calls on the sick.

Now I wish to extend my thanks to our President for her kindness, and for her valuable advice, and encouragement in my work. It has been a year of hard work, and a great deal of anxiety for fear of my inability to do my duty, and yet, I must say that it has been a year of pleasure as well. I can feel that I have made some sad hearts happy.

I also wish to extend my thanks to our Secretary and Treasurer, for their promptness in responding to my call for assistance in this great work of charity, and may the Great Commander of us all guide and direct us for another year.

EMMA JOHNSON, Ch'm.
ANNA E. CLINE,
CAMILLA SMITH FAIR,
Committee.

REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

OFFICE OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
DENVER, May 17, 1893.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary:

The description of a journey is no longer very interesting. In traveling, as in many other things, comfort and speed have been attained at a sacrifice of the picturesque, and we pass swiftly toward the destined end in monotonous ease. We all know that a special G. A. R. train is sure to be a sociable one. There are some differences between it and an ordinary train. Even the ladies do not retain their seats, but there is a good deal of visiting around between the cars, and pleasant acquaintances are made and continued.

There are, however, some inconveniences connected with special trains. More than the usual care is needed to avert danger, and they are very liable to be side-tracked, and thus liable to delay. We experienced no inconveniences from these causes, except a brief delay in Chicago, until we were going eastward through Kentucky and West Virginia on the Chesapeake and Ohio. There the great number of special trains made traveling in blocks necessary, and we were subject to frequent stoppages. At the same time we were so well assured

through the reports of comrades who had been making observations, of the provisions for our safety made by the railroads, that we could both lay us down and sleep in peace, free from any anxiety.

This also was the most beautiful part of our route. I once heard a speaker in Denver exclaim,—“Who after beholding the Rocky Mountains would care to look at the Alleghenies? ”Certainly I would, for one. The gently rounded and heavily wooded slopes of the Allegheny and Blue Ridge contrast beautifully with our rough and craggy peaks. Then too, we saw them in gala attire. Not only were the villages and cabins by which we passed decorated with our national red, white and blue, but the wooded hills themselves had assumed our National and Department colors, and flung out boughs of red and yellow to greet us. It must be acknowledged that the class of inhabitants who gave us the most jubilant greeting, belonged to what is generally called the colored race, though of the shade said to indicate the absence of color. It is not strange that the trains loaded with representatives of the Grand Army of the Union should have a special, glad significance to them.

Our route had been chosen partly with the view to passing through a section which had once been the scene of many battles, where once “The earth was covered thick with other clay, which her own clay should cover.” There were some of the comrades to whom that country had once been as familiar as the places where they had grown up, perhaps more so, for they had studied it with faculties sharpened by peril, but now it wore the face of a stranger. Nature’s beneficent hand is always stretched forth to heal, and as far as possible efface the scars of war. It is said that during the long hot summer that followed the battle of Gettysburg, the vast host entombed there caused the ground to heave and swell as though the heart of nature throbbed with pain for the many gallant hearts that had ceased to throb, and now rested in her bosom. But the next season saw only a greener sward, and more luxuriant growth. So here, where our soldiers remembered hills denuded of their trees for the sake of warmth or shelter or defence, they found them crowned with the rank young growth of a quarter of a century.

The delays of the previous day and night were compensated by the fact that we passed over some of this historic ground by daylight, which otherwise we should not have done. After a brief detention at that stronghold of secession, Alexandria, we arrived in Washington a little after noon on Monday, Sept. 19th, and as soon as crowded

vehicles would permit, found our way to equally crowded hotels. After a hurried luncheon and toilet we went to the Ebbitt House, where carriages were prepared to take the dignitaries of the W. R. C., and such other delegates as there should be room for, to drive around the city of Washington, and out to the beautiful Soldiers' Home which lies encircled by fine grounds some five miles from the city. Time did not permit us to leave the carriages and enter the Home at all, for afternoons in the middle of September are brief; we did, however, dismount for a few moments at the tomb of Logan, which is near the Home.

From whence under the sun comes the itching for immortality that prompts the American traveller to leave his name everywhere? He mars magnificent scenery by tracing it on the rocks, and when he visits the tombs of those whom his country honors,

"Like robin red-breast, painfully,
He covers them with leaves"

from his note-book, or flings his card through the bars to show that John Smith has been paying his—post mortem respects. At Mt. Vernon the Father of our Country sleeps undisturbed under an unusual pile of this rubbish.

That evening we—your President, Senior Vice and myself—hired a carriage and drove down to the reception to be held in the rotunda of the Capitol, but there were thousands before us. The great steps were one surging mass of humanity, and if a little crevice was found in it, there were as many applicants therefor, as there have been for every office since inauguration day. We afterwards discovered that there were some of the Colorado delegation who, finding that they could not enter by the door, had "climbed up some other way," but to us this seemed to be one of the occasions when "discretion was the better part of valor," so we made a masterly retreat to headquarters.

On the morning of Monday the green, south of the President's mansion, which had been known as the White Lot was dedicated with suitable ceremonies as Grand Army Place, thus becoming a perpetual memorial of the Twenty-sixth G. A. R. Convention. This place was the chosen spot for various patriotic and military re-unions, and was fitted up with five large tents for that purpose, and numerous smaller ones, which served as headquarters for many posts. A full sized model of the Kearsarge served as the headquarters for the old sailors, many of whom felt quite at home, doubtless, on the destroyer of the

Alabama. There were also extensive barracks in two places which offered free lodging to about 25,000 old soldiers, and it was estimated that the public schools accommodated as many more.

On Tuesday before nine o'clock, we were on our way to the grand stand of the Commander-in-Chief to see the Parade. The curbstone was already lined with a crowd about five feet deep, and the houses were bordered with another throng; but between the two there was a moving mass, through which we pressed, often trying to induce the outer crowd to allow us to cross the street and go up higher, a feat we finally accomplished.

Twenty-seven years before, the hosts of Grant, Sherman and Sheridan had marched through the Capitol City. They were but a small part of the military force of the United States then in existence. It has been estimated on an average of three year's service that over 2,320,000 men enlisted during the war. In May, 1865, this military force was something over a million. The army which passed through Washington in the grand review of that year numbered only about 150,000. The grand army of the dead outnumbered them by 100,000, but never since the foundation of the world has such a review been witnessed. Hosts of veterans as brave have marched home triumphant from righteous war, but these were *citizen* soldiers. Not men who had chosen military life as a pursuit, but men who had been drilled in the exercise of life's useful callings, and by the performance of its usual duties to that character which makes a man brave and loyal in time of danger. They came fresh from the field with all the paraphernalia of camp and battle; their faces bronzed with exposure, and often worn with suffering, now radiant with the joy of victory and the longed for home coming, and as for two days they passed through the garlanded streets, the people turned out to meet them.

Through the same streets, garlanded and decorated with the national colors in every imaginable device, crowded with people, and hailed with enthusiastic greetings an army of about 75,000 old soldiers marched on the 20th of September, 1892, along the smooth, wide avenues greatly improved since 1865. Xerxes viewed a much greater host, but it was an army of slaves, driven forward in battle by the lash.

There were no young faces, save those of the children, occasionally admitted to march with their fathers. Some of these soldiers had past the age when military duty can be required when they enlisted, yet they did not seem old; enthusiasm rejuvenated them. One comrade, quite feeble, came to rest on the stand where we were seated;

he was from a Maine Company, and was 85 years old, but even in his case the name was—Young.

Your delegation had excellent seats on the right of the grand stand of the reviewing officer, which gave a long view of both the advancing and receding procession, marching often in double files of 12. Sometimes the long line of twenty-four abreast was firm and straight, and sometimes it wavered. "The boys can't march now as they did 25 years ago," said an old man who sat by me. It was small wonder if that was so, for many of them had left a leg on the battlefield, or in the hospital, and in some cases both legs were represented by wooden members. Occasionally the emergency ambulance passed down the avenue to give succor to some one who was worn out. From about nine o'clock in the morning until five in the afternoon that march continued, and then passed into the pages of history—a chapter never to be repeated.

I have not attempted to describe it; even if I were equal to the task the time required would be too great. For six hours I sat and watched the moving sea of faces, stayed with a doughnut, and comforted with a chicken sandwich purchased from one of those friends in need who go round with a covered basket on such occasions, and then I left unwillingly, for fear "this feeble flesh should fail."

That evening, and every evening, there were numerous receptions, illuminations, campfires, etc., for those who were able to attend them.

On the following morning at 9:30, the Tenth Annual Convention of the W. R. C. Convened. The eight hour law did not apply to it, except, perhaps, on the second day. The opening session lasted without intermission from 9:30 a. m. to 4 p. m., and after an hour's recess from 5 p. m. to 9 p. m. On Friday the morning session was from 9 a. m. to 1:30 p. m.; the afternoon from 2:30 to 8 p. m., and on account of the fact that many were obliged to leave the next morning, after an hour's intermission we convened again, adjourning at midnight. The Saturday afternoon meeting did not adjourn until after the installation of officers at 9:30 p. m.

One of the pleasant things noticeable about that convention was the evident determination to do its work well. The lateness of the hour and the weariness of mind and body were not sufficient reasons for passing over or hurrying through important measures without time for discussion and comprehension. It requires no little mental alertness to follow repeatedly the transformation of questions through the caterpillar, grub and butterfly, state of existence, and perhaps to

see them shorn of their wings return again to the quiescent chrysalis, or it may be crawl off in their original form. If there was in one case a question whose form so deceived the delegates that they voted as they had not intended, something of the same kind occurred even in the Congress of the United States when silver was demonetized.

There were some rather unpleasant happenings connected with the Convention which I have hesitated to mention, but there are reasons for referring to them. Firstly, the explanations that went over the country through the press were in many cases incorrect, and secondly, the Order is left with a debt, the justice of which it has a right to understand.

Some preliminary explanation as to the origin and status of what was once Potomac Relief Corps is necessary. In 1886 the ladies of Washington applied for a Charter, making a Corps auxiliary to the four Posts of the Department of the Potomac G. A. R., on the ground that the peculiar circumstances made it impossible to sustain more than one Corps in the District of Columbia. The Department President considered it beyond her power to grant this request, but recommended special legislation on that subject to the Convention. There is no record of action on the subject, but during the following year such a corps was formed, and at the Fifth Annual Convention was acknowledged, and its representatives received.

During the administration of Mrs. Charity Rusk Craig, three Posts of the Department of the Potomac, G. A. R. asked for Corps auxiliary to them, a request which according to our rules and regulations could not be refused. The following year, three more Corps having been formed in the same way, the Department of the Potomac was organized with seven Corps, thus proving that the conditions, which had rendered advisable the special legislation under which Potomac Relief Corps had its birth, no longer existed, if indeed they ever had. This Corps protested against the formation of a Department, and was a source of continual trouble at National Conventions. The Ninth National Convention authorized the incoming President "to use her prerogative, and place the Potomac Relief Corps in the Department of the Potomac." The clause, "subject to the rules and regulations of the Order," was, unfortunately, stricken out, and this gave Potomac Corps and its friends, an opportunity to claim the powers of the President were simply advisory. The President felt that she was bound to carry out the real desire of the Ninth National Convention, and having endeavored in every possible way to induce Potomac

Relief Corps to enter the Department under the rules and regulations, even so arranging that no change of name was necessary, and having failed, she withdrew its charter.

Potomac Corps has many excellent women among its members; it has done much charitable work, and numbers among its friends many of the most influential women in Washington. The Citizen's Committee were thoroughly in sympathy with it. After the Citizen's Committee had tendered the courtesies of the city of Washington to our Order, and the tender had been accepted, Mrs. Hendricks, President of the Department of the Potomac, asked permission to furnish the luncheon during the Convention; this is customary, and it was granted. The National President wrote to the Secretary of the Citizen's Committee, Miss Clara Barton, notifying her that this permission had been granted, and received a reply, *not withdrawing* the courtesies, but stating plainly that if the Department of the Potomac furnished the lunch, it would also be necessary that it should furnish the room, decorations, music, in short—everything.

Perhaps if Mrs. Sanders had believed with Talleyrand "that language is meant to conceal thought" she might have read between the lines the request to withdraw all recognition from Mrs. Hendricks. But what should the President do? Snub the obedient child for the sake of the refractory one? She accepted the alternative and notified Mrs. Hendricks, President of the Department of the Potomac, of the state of affairs. The unexpected load was cheerfully accepted, and in spite of the disadvantage that the Citizen's Committee held possession of the churches, and were in advance in almost everything, the Department of the Potomac furnished most ample and beautiful provision for the Convention.

The church was not very central; that was the only objection. It was commodious and beautifully decorated. Nothing was omitted that could add to our comfort and convenience. All the little things had been thought of, and preparations were completed for serving an elegant lunch; all this the Department of the Potomac, though a small one, expected to furnish at its own expense. In these quarters the Convention opened, and hither, after the opening exercises and reading of the President's address, came Mrs. Logan, as the representative of the Citizen's Committee, to invite us to adjourn immediately to another church and another lunch, and to *insist* on our accepting the invitation. She used various arguments, some of which were singular, but one of which was cogent. The most singular one was,

that which urged us to reject the hospitalities we were already enjoying, because our hosts could ill afford the expense they had already incurred. The cogent argument was that the injurious report would go over the whole country that the National W. R. C. Convention had rejected the hospitalities of the citizens of Washington. And we knew it would. It would have been furnished with wings gratis. We were between the horns of a dilemma. Josh Billings says "It is better not to do too many things you have to explain." Whichever course we took explanations were inevitable. They could be made to our Order; to the outside world they could not. Perhaps the action of the Convention was influenced also by a belief that the Department of the Potomac would appreciate our position, and forgive the sacrifice of justice to expediency. When the Convention decided after eight hours debate to adjourn to another church, and accept the hospitalities of the citizens of Washington, they could do no less than pledge the Order to return the amount vainly expended by the Department of the Potomac. The care and labor they could in no wise repay.

When either individuals or bodies decide questions on grounds of expediency, their most satisfactory afterthought is: "Well, it was the best thing to be done under the circumstances." They are never elated, and seldom satisfied with their action.

In token of the anniversary of the silver wedding of Mrs. Sue Pike Sanders, and doubtless also of the appreciation of her faithful service during a trying term of office, she received many elegant pieces of silver, a tea-set, a floral gift, enclosing numerous souvenir spoons, a silver tray, a bon-bon box and spoon, and a silver box of writing materials. The election of Mrs. Margaret R. Wickens, from the relation which she sustained to the out-going administration, must also be accepted as an approval of the President's policy by the Convention. The work done by the Convention is recorded in its published minutes, and I fear I have detained you too long already.

One thing more might be fitly said: When we consider the immense crowd which taxed the resources of Washington during that concourse of all patriotic conventions, and the size of the city, and also that no other occasion would be apt to call together so many that were aged and feeble, the small number of casualties, accidents or disturbances of any kind is gratifying. The proportional increase of population at the Columbian celebration in New York the next month was much less, and the list of accidents and crimes immensely

greater. Hence to the memory of the beauty and cordial hospitality of our Capitol City we must add the belief that it is in an unusual degree orderly and well controlled.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

EMILY R. MEREDITH,

Delegate to Tenth Annual Convention.

REPORT OF BANNER COMMITTEE.

DENVER, COLO., May 15, 1893.

MRS. MARV L. CARR,

Department President:

DEAR MADAM:—At a meeting of the Council held in Denver, March 14th, it was decided to procure a banner, one that would be suitable to use at our Conventions, and to represent the Department at the World's Fair. A committee consisting of Mesdames Janette L. Todd, America Anderson and Katherine C. Kennedy, was appointed to carry out the wishes of the Council, with instructions to procure a Banner that would be a credit to this Department, and to have it ready at the earliest time possible. After carefully considering the matter, and advising with those whom we thought could assist us, your committee decided to order through Comrade L. H. Flanders, direct from the Eastern Factory, a white silk Banner. The painting and lettering we thought best to have done in Denver, thereby securing something we consider appropriate in ornamentation, and which we hope, will prove pleasing to all of our members. Mrs. President, you requested all of the Corps to donate to the banner fund, whatever they felt like giving, and forward the amount to this committee. The following amounts were received from the Corps, and a receipt acknowledging the same, sent them.

James A. Garfield Corps	No. 8	\$ 25 00
George G. Meade	" " 6	10 00
Winfield Scott	" " 19	5 00
W. T. Sherman	" " 24	4 00
M. M. Crocker	" " 40	5 00
Joe Hooker	" " 43	3 00
Upton	" " 2	10 00
Custer	" " 20	2 00

Nathaniel Lyon	Corps No. 24	10 00
McPherson	" " 32	15 00
U. S. Grant	" " 15	10 00
Veteran	" " 14	10 00
Grand Junction	" " 17	5 00
Gunnison	" " 12	4 00
Battle Mountain	" " 29	2 00
George Washington	" " 42	5 00
Kit Carson	" " 31	5 00
Colorado Springs	" " 4	5 00
Farragut	" " 1	10 00
Pike's Peak	" " 39	5 00
J. T. Reynolds	" " 9	5 00
Total		\$155 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Banner	\$ 72 50
Painting	75 00
Lettering	28 00
Total	\$175 50

Leaving an indebtedness of \$20.50. We hoped the Corps would respond so there would be no necessity for calling upon the Department Treasury. No one realizes more than your committee, the struggles many Corps have to make, to keep enough in the Relief Fund, to aid those whom they are pledged to assist. We feel that in receiving these donations, nothing has been taken from the sick and needy. A Silver lining to the Clouds only stimulates those to greater activities, whose every thought is to scatter along the pathway of the weak and the dependent, seeds of kindness and sympathy.

"Happy is he who many things possessing,
Makes them to others and himself a blessing."

May 9th, we received from the Department Treasurer, \$40.00, leaving in our possession \$14.90 to be used in sending the Banner to the World's Fair. In returning thanks to the Corps that have responded so generously, we acknowledge that James A. Garfield Corps of Leadville, leads, and ask, does altitude have anything to do with generosity?

Comrade L. H. Flanders furnished the Banner to us at cost, besides telegraphing and writing several times to hasten matters, as the order was delayed. For his generosity and kindly services, we recommend that a vote of thanks be given him by this Convention.

Mrs. President:—As the presiding officer of this Department, and a co-worker in all of our labors, we present you with this evidence of our work, believing it will prove a source of pleasure and satisfaction to you, and hoping that the pure white silk of this Banner may long remain untarnished, as an emblem of your labors and the work of our Order in the cause of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

JANETTE L. TODD,
AMERICA ANDERSON,
KATHERINE C. KENNEDY,
Committee.

The Department President in response, accepted the Banner in behalf of the Department, and expressed her thanks to the Committee for the satisfactory manner in which they had performed their duties.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be tendered the Banner Committee for the work they had done. Carried by a rising vote.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that a vote of thanks be extended Comrade Flanders for assistance in procuring Banner. Carried.

Moved by America Anderson, seconded by Lucy M. Campbell that telegrams be sent to Past Department Presidents Mary Jewett Telford and Augusta B. Henderson, expressing regrets at their absence.

The names of Committees appointed by the Department President on the various reports were read by the Secretary.

COMMITTEES.

President's Address:—

Katharine C. Kennedy	Denver
America Anderson	Denver
Climena G. Howard	Greeley

Senior Vice-President's Report:—

Orphie E. Bacon	Longmont
Edna Hood	Georgetown
Lucy M. Campbell	Denver
Annie B. Sanborn	Greeley

Junior Vice-President's Report:—

Eva G. Coffin.....Longmont
Emily E. O'Brien.....Cheyenne
Fanny Ladd.....Pueblo
Nellie Barbour.....Pueblo

Secretary's Report:—

Sadie M. Fisher.....Cheyenne
Hester W. Hartzell.....Denver
Katie L. Sahrbeck.....Manitou
Susie M. Carr.....Longmont
Rebecca Wilkinson.....Georgetown

Treasurer's Report:—

Edna K. Gould.....Lamar
Jessie Sharp Purrier.....Gunnison
Nellie B. Hewett.....Colorado Springs

Chaplain's Report:—

Camilla Smith Fair.....Leadville
Mary J. Handyside.....Denver
Stella Newman.....Denver
Maria D. Wolcott.....Leadville

Inspector's Report:—

Rosella Goodrich.....Red Cliff
Susie J. Searl.....Leadville
Sarah C. Wilkinson.....Georgetown

Instituting and Installing Officer's Report:—

Jennie McGill.....Denver
May H. Maynard.....Cheyenne
Emma C. Scrivner.....Denver
Emma Johnson.....Denver

Counselor's Report:—

Annie W. Phillips.....Denver
Dorcas A. Hassen.....Denver
Isa E. Crosby.....Boulder
Edith Williams.....Greeley
Virginia M. Feeny.....Boulder

Executive Board's Report:—

Maggie Telfer.....Leadville
Nancy Cowell.....Denver
Lydia C. Young.....Evans
Myra Peterson.....Denver

Department Relief Committee's Report:—

Alice T. Smith	Denver
Emma D. Adams	Boulder
Loretta Mumma	Pueblo
Katie McNider	Aspen

Delegate-at-Large Report:—

Eugenia Wilde Olney	Gunnison
Camilla Smith Fair	Leadville
Hannah Patterson	Denver

Banner Committee's Report:—

Emma D. Adams	Boulder
Susie J. Searl	Leadville
Lucy M. Capron	Denver

Committee on Resolutions:—

Frances S. Klock	Denver
Isa E. Crosby	Boulder
Lucy M. Capron	Denver
Mary J. Handyside	Denver

Press Committee:

Effie V. B. Aldrich	Monte Vista
Hannah Atwood	Denver
Sadie Fisher	Cheyenne

Committee on Courtesies and Telegrams:—

Eugenia Wilde Olney	Gunnison
Laura S. Dodge	Boulder
May S. Hotchkiss	Greeley
Mary Campbell	Buena Vista

Convention declared adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, WEDNESDAY.

Convention called to order at 1:30 p. m. by Department President.

Conductors reported all present members of the Order. Mrs. Feeny, pianist, led in singing the Star Spangled Banner.

The Lord's Prayer was repeated in unison, Mrs. Brissac leading.

Roll of Convention was called.

Mrs. Dodge stated that the Delegates to the Tenth National Convention, promised to send a Souvenir Spoon, from this Department to the National President, Sue Pike Sanders, but had not been able to

find the one desired until a few weeks ago. The spoon having a design of Pike's Peak, with the well known motto of "Pike's Peak or Bust," had been duly forwarded.

The report of Department Inspector was read and referred to Committee.

Committee from G. A. R. was announced.

Business was suspended and Comrades Essington, Coulter, Tarsney and Rollins were admitted and introduced.

Comrade Essington extended the greetings of the Fourteenth Annual Encampment to the Convention.

Comrade Coulter, President of the Soldiers' Home Commission, read a paper of much interest to the Convention, on the condition and management of the Home at Monte Vista.

Comrade Rollins indulged in a few humorous remarks.

Comrade Tarsney spoke in a most appreciative manner of the work of our Order.

The Comrades were then escorted from the Hall to the music of "Tramp, Tramp, Tramp," and the regular business was resumed.

The following report to the Department Commander was read to the Convention by Mrs. Dodge.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO G. A. R. }
PUEBLO, May 17, 1893.

GENERAL JOHN C. KENNEDY,

Department Commander, G. A. R.

DEAR SIR AND COMRADE:—I have the honor to report to you, and through you to the Fourteenth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the following statement of the condition and work of the Woman's Relief Corps:

The number of Corps at the beginning of the year was thirty-four. There have been three disbanded and three organized, leaving the number the same.

The total number of members of the Order at the present time is fourteen hundred and four, being an increase of one hundred and thirty-two members during the year in this Department.

There has been an active interest manifested in relief work by all the Corps, as the following statement will show:

Number of Soldiers and families assisted	361
Amount of Relief rendered in cash.....	\$1,675 23
Amount of Relief other than cash.....	1,656 85
Total Relief rendered.....	3,332 08
The balance in the Relief Fund of Corps is.....	821 05
Balance in General Funds	1,840 05
Amount expended from Department Relief Fund	85 00
Balance in Department Relief Fund	55 54
Contributed by Corps for Soldiers' Home	190 00

Please accept congratulations on the work accomplished by the Grand Army of the Republic under your administration, and thanks for the many courtesies extended by you to the W. R. C.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.

MARY L. CARR,

Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,

Department Secretary.

MAY S. HOTCHKISS,

Department Treasurer.

The Committee on Courtesies and Greeting to G. A. R. retired and were escorted to the Encampment by the Comrades.

Mrs. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, that the Department President give the password to a Delegate of T. H. Dodd Corps, as neither the President or S. V. President were present. Carried.

Report of Executive Board read by the Chairman Janette L. Todd, and referred to Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, that we hold an evening session. After some discussion as to the advisability of it, the motion prevailed.

The Committee on Greetings to the G. A. R. having returned, Mrs. Olney, Chairman of the Committee, gave a report of their enthusiastic reception by the Encampment.

Motion to adjourn. Carried.

Adjourned till 7:30 o'clock.

EVENING SESSION, WEDNESDAY, MAY 18.

Convention called to order promptly at 7:30.

Conductors reported all present having the proper password.

In the absence of the Department Chaplain, Mary A. Condit, the Chaplain's Report was read by Frances S. Klock, and referred to Committee. (See list of Committees.)

Mrs. Klock, Chairman of Committee on Resolutions, read the following, which were recommended by the Committee for adoption :

WHEREAS, It has come to the knowledge of this Convention that there are within the state of Colorado, a considerable number of destitute wives and children, widows and orphans of Union Soldiers, many of whom are dependent upon the efforts of the Grand Army Posts, and of the several Relief Corps of this Department, for the necessities of life. Now, therefore,

Resolved, That the attention of the Department Encampment, now in session, is hereby called to the provisions of the act establishing the Soldier's Home, under which "those dependent upon Soldiers are entitled to the same benefits as the Soldiers themselves" and to the fact that no provision whatever has been made by the Soldiers' Home Commission for the care or maintenance of such needy dependents.

Resolved, That the Department Encampment is hereby urged to take some action with a view to influencing the Soldiers' Home Commission to make provision at as early a date as practicable, by the erection of cottages, or by some other practicable plan, for the care of needy soldiers with families and for widows and orphans who need assistance.

Mrs. Howard moved that the report of the Committee be adopted. Seconded by Mrs. McGill.

Mrs. Hewitt asked if the Soldiers' Home Commission had the power to provide for the widows, wives and dependent children, of old Soldiers.

The Department President stated that the Act establishing the Home, gave this power to the Commission, but as the appropriations made by the Legislature for the support of the Home had heretofore not been sufficient for the maintenance of the old soldiers, of course nothing could be done towards supporting their families, but it seemed now that some action might be taken in this matter, and the resolutions just read had been introduced for the purpose of calling the attention of the Encampment to the necessity of providing for these dependent ones.

Other states are building cottages for the old soldiers and their

wives, that they need not be separated in their old age, and Colorado ought to be making an effort in the same direction.

Mrs. Hotchkiss moved that a copy of these Resolutions be forwarded to the Fourteenth Annual Encampment now in session. Seconded by Mrs. McGill. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy that 10:30 o'clock to-morrow (Thursday) be set as the hour for election of officers. Seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Purrier, that we adjourn to meet at 9 o'clock to-morrow morning. Carried.

MORNING SESSION, THURSDAY, MAY 18.

Convention called to Order at 9 o'clock, President in the Chair.

Mrs. Tuttle and Mrs. Perry, appointed conductors, reported all present members of the Order.

Prayer by Mrs. Emily Meredith.

Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the roll call be left until just before the election. Carried.

Secretary read minutes of Council meetings held at Boulder, April 29, 1892. Second at Denver September 12, 1892; third at Denver March 14, 1893, fourth at Pueblo, May 16, 1893.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Hannah Patterson, that the minutes be approved. Carried.

The following telegram was received from the National President:

CHICAGO, ILL., May 17, 1893.

To Mary L. Carr, Department President, W. R. C.

Greetings to Convention assembled. Regret I cannot be present.

MARGARET R. WICKENS,
National President W. R. C.

The following communications were also read.

SABETHA, KANS., May 11, 1893.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Department President, W. R. C.

Would be glad to be present at your meeting, but pressure of work makes it impossible.

Very cordially yours in F. C. and L.,

FLORA PRESTON HOGGIN,
National Secretary, W. R. C.

ABILENE, KANS, May 9, 1893.

Mrs. Mary L. Carr, Department President, W. R. C., Longmont, Colo.

DEAR MRS. CARE:—Yours, containing cordial invitation to visit your Department Convention at Pueblo, received. I am truly sorry I cannot accept the invitation and make you a "neighborly call."

I send best wishes for a pleasant, harmonious and successful closing of your year's work at this Convention.

Yours in F. C. & L.,

IDA WILSON MOORE,
National I. and I. Officer.

Chairman of Committee on Department President's address being ready to report, the Senior Vice-President was called to the Chair, and the following report read by Mrs. Kennedy:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

To the President and Members of the Ninth Annual Dept. Convention:

Your Committee on President's Address has performed its duties, and present the following report:

We most heartily commend this address for its clear and forcible statement of the year's work, and note with gratification the strong and steady growth of the Department, the increased knowledge of the members of the Order in the "performance of their duties," the enthusiasm of the Corps, and especially of our "Soldiers' Home" Corps at Monte Vista.

Mrs. President, there is due you from the members of this Department the hearty endorsement of your year of earnest and conscientious labor for our organizations, assuring you that you will receive the reward accorded to those who are faithful and true to the trust committed to them.

Recommendations approved.

Respectfully submitted,

CATHERINE C. KENNEDY,

AMERICA ANDERSON,

CLIMENA G. HOWARD,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Klock, seconded by Alice T. Smith, that the report of Committee on address be accepted, and the recommendations acted upon separately. Carried.

First recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Klock, seconded by Miss Wolcott, that it be adopted. Carried.

Second recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Mummah, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that it be adopted. Carried.

Third recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Hotchkiss, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that it be adopted. Carried.

Fourth recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Klock, seconded by Mrs. Mummah, that it be adopted. Carried.

Fifth recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, that it be adopted. Carried.

Sixth recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Miss Wolcott, that it be adopted. Carried.

Seventh recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Hartzell, seconded by Mrs. Crosby, that it be adopted. Carried.

Eighth recommendation read. Moved by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that it be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Alice T. Smith, the report as a whole be adopted. Carried.

President again resumed the Chair.

The following reports were read by the Chairmen of the several committees.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SENIOR VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Department President and Members of Ninth Annual Convention:

The Committee most heartily endorse the report of the Senior Vice-President for the thorough manner in which she has conducted the work of her office, and for her very evident desire to assist the President, and lighten her labor in every way possible.

The cordial relations which have existed between the President and her staff, is a matter of congratulation.

ORPHIE E. BACON,
LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
EDNA HOOD,

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Klock, that the report be accepted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

Your Committee on Junior Vice President's Report, beg leave to submit the following:

The communication is of necessity brief, owing in part, to the limited opportunity afforded for official work in this office. Your Committee cordial-

ly endorse its concise manner, and are heartily in accord with the sentiment expressed regarding the surrender of Charter of Corps when members have ceased to interest themselves in the work to which we stand pledged.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

EVA G. COFFIN,
EMILY E. O'BRIEN,
FRANCES LADD,
NELLIE BARBOUR.

Moved by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

Your Committee on Secretary's Report, having carefully examined the same, respectfully submit the following:

The report is a concise statement of the work done during the year, and shows that she has performed the work of the office in an able and conscientious manner, and well deserves the thanks of this Convention.

We regret with her the number of suspended members, and wish that some action might be taken to lessen the number in our reports. We endorse the recommendations, and recommend the adoption of the same.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

SADIE M. FISHER,
HESTER W. HARTZELL,
KATIE L. SAHRBECK,
SUSIE M. CARR,
REBECCA WILKINSON.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Mummah, that the report be accepted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mrs. Carr, President Department Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C.

Your Committee on Treasurer's Report, having carefully examined the report of May S. Hotchkiss, Department Treasurer, take pleasure in giving the same our highest commendation. Neatness and accuracy characterize its pages. Faithfully has the work been performed, and truly merited is the reward "well done."

This is a trying and responsible office, and having filled this place for two consecutive years, bears testimony to the efficiency of our Department Treasurer, and needs no added comment. Her recommendations we heartily endorse and recommend their adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

EDNA K. GOULD,
JESSIE SHARP PURRIER,
NELLIE B. HEWITT.

Moved by Mrs. Olney, seconded by Mrs. Klock, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Promptly at 10:30, election of Officers was declared in order.

The Chairman of Credential Committee reported 73 delegates and 13 Department Officers entitled to vote, making 86.

Roll-call of Convention showed that number present.

Mrs. Capron, Mrs. Purrier and Mrs. Hotchkiss were appointed as Tellers.

Nominations for Department President.

Mrs. Todd nominated Mary L. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Olney.

The nomination was declined in a very happy speech.

Mrs. Kennedy nominated Laura S. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss.

Mrs. McGill nominated Mrs. Klock, seconded by Mrs. Patterson.

Nominations closed.

Tellers retired to the ante-room to count the votes.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

We have the honor to submit the following report: We have examined the Report of Department Chaplain, and can but admire its completeness in all the details connected with Memorial Day, as conducted by the several Corps in this Department, assuring us of the deep and abiding interest that is manifested in honoring the brave men who gave their lives for the liberty we enjoy.

Great credit is due the Department Chaplain for the able manner in which she executed her elaborate report.

We heartily endorse her suggestions, and approve her recommendations.

CAMILLA SMITH FAIR.
MARY J. HANDYSIDE,
STELLA NEWMAN,
MARIA D. WOLCOTT.

Mrs. Hartzell moved, seconded by Susie J. Searl, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers returned and reported 85 votes cast. Necessary to a choice

43.

Laura S. Dodge received 64.

Frances S. Klock received 21.

Mrs. Klock moved, seconded by Mrs. Atwood, that the election of Mrs. Dodge be made unanimous by a rising vote. Carried.

Mrs. Dodge declared elected Department President for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Department Senior Vice-President.

Mrs. McGill nominated Mina B. Sanford, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell.

Mrs. Howard nominated Susie J. Searl, seconded by Mrs. Goodrich.

Mrs. Humphries nominated Loretta Mummah, seconded by Mrs. Barbour.

Nominations declared closed : tellers retired.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the Inspector, have carefully examined the same, and find its statements clear and satisfactory in every particular. We note with pleasure the decrease in cost of inspection, while at the same time it has been conducted in a thorough and efficient manner.

We endorse the recommendations and commend the faithful and efficient manner in which the duties of the Inspector have been performed.

ROSELLA GOODRICH,
SUSIE J. SEARL,
SARAH C. WILKINSON.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Low, of Silver Cliff, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON I. AND L. OFFICER'S REPORT.

Mrs. President and Members of Ninth Annual Convention:

We have carefully examined the report of the I. and L. Officer, and find it complete and concise, and while the work has not been laborious, there has been a great deal of annoyance by negligence of Installing Officers in not forwarding reports.

We heartily endorse the suggestions made. They are virtually the same as those recommended last year, and we would suggest that they be printed in the Journal this year, if there is a Journal printed.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

JENNIE MCGILL,
MAY H. MAYNARD,
EMMA C. SCRIVNER,
EMMA JOHNSON.

Moved by Mrs. Hartzell, seconded by Mrs. Emily O'Brien, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNSELOR'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

We have carefully considered the report of the Department Counselor and recommend its adoption. We would suggest that a closer study of Rules and Regulations by Corps Officers, would obviate the necessity of many questions being forwarded to Department Officers.

Respectfully yours, in F. C. & L.,

ANNIE W. PHILLIPS,
DORCAS A. HASSEN.
ISA E. CROSBY,
EDITH WILLIAMS.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the report be adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAIRMAN OF EXECUTIVE BOARD'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

Your Committee has examined the report of the Chairman of the Executive Board, and find it a clear statement of her official duties. We commend and approve the same and recommend the report for adoption by this Convention.

MAGGIE TELFER,
NANCY COWELL,
LYDIA C. YOUNG.

Moved by Mrs. Olney, seconded by Mrs. Dresser, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON DEPARTMENT RELIEF COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—

Your Committee on the Department Relief Committee's Report would submit the following: We consider the report a clear and correct statement of the work done. We think they have made a judicious expenditure of the funds. We recommend the adoption of the Report.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

ALICE T. SMITH,
LORETTA MUMMAH,
KATIE McNIDER.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:

We, the Committee on Report of Delegate-at-Large, submit the following:

We deem this paper in literary style and beauty of diction, a production of which our Order may be justly proud.

Year by year Mrs. Meredith comes to us always with some literary offering that we gladly carry away, as the cherished remembrance of the Convention. We wish to offer this sentiment to our delegate in the name of the Convention.

With her mind undimmed, her heart unchilled, and her pen unruined, long may Mrs. Meredith live, an honor to our Order.

EUGENIA W. OLNEY,
CAMILLA SMITH FAIR,
HANNAH PATTERSON.

Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, that the report be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON BANNER COMMITTEE'S REPORT.

Mrs. President, Officers and Members:—

Your Banner Committee have the honor and pleasure of reporting as follows: To the President, whose active brain first conceived the idea of procuring a Banner to represent this Department at the World's Fair, and to the Committee who have so nobly, cheerfully and so successfully carried it out, is due the thanks not only of the members of this Convention, but of every member of the Relief Corps in this Department. We know that the Committee have not only given their time, but many anxious hours as well. We are confident that every Corps in this Department, who have contributed to the Banner Fund, will be proud to say, we helped to procure this beautiful Banner. We cannot find words sufficiently expressive to tell you how much we appreciate what has been done, and when we assemble in future conventions, and see the beautiful banner, and know that it is our own, we shall always feel that the time and the money have been judiciously spent.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. & L.,

EMMA D. ADAMS.
SUSIE J. SEARL,
LUCY M. CAPRON.

Moved by Mrs. Lucy Smith, seconded by Mrs. Crosby, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mrs. Todd asked that J. F. Reynolds be added to list of contributors to Banner.

Mrs. Hotchkiss moved that the "Banner Committee" be continued, have charge of the Banner and send it to the World's Fair; seconded by Mrs. Dodge. Carried.

Silver Cliff, E. V. Sumner Corps, reported a contribution of \$5.00 to Banner.

REPORT OF AUDITING COMMITTEE.

Mrs. President:—

We have the honor to submit the following report. We have carefully examined the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and find them accurate, and models of neatness. We most heartily approve the system of our Department Treasurer in registering supplies, and we would recommend the same system be continued.

The Treasurer has served this Department most faithfully and efficiently for two years, and the systematic method of keeping her books, renders the labor of the Auditing Committee one of pleasure.

ORPHIE E. BACON,
ELNORA BAKER,
JANETTE L. TODD.

Moved by Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that it be adopted. Carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS OF THANKS.

Mrs. President and Members of the Convention:

Your committee on resolutions beg leave to submit the following:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention are especially due to Upton Corps for the splendid manner in which we have been entertained.

Resolved, That our profound thanks are due, and are hereby tendered the citizens of Pueblo for the complete and satisfactory arrangements for our reception and entertainment.

Resolved, That our thanks are tendered the Press for its correct and generous notices.

FRANCES S. KLOCK,
LAURA S. DODGE,
ISA E. CROSBY,
LUCY M. CAPRON,
MARY J. HANDYSIDE.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. La Count, that the resolutions on thanks to Upton Corps, citizens of Pueblo and the Press be adopted. Carried.

Tellers returned and reported.

Whole number of votes cast 84, necessary to a choice, 43. Susie J. Searl received 69, Loretta Mummah, 9; Mina B. Sanford, 6. Mrs. Sanford moved, seconded by Mrs. Mummah, that the election of Mrs. Searl be made unanimous. Carried. Mrs. Searl was declared elected Department Senior Vice-President for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Department Junior Vice-President.

Mrs. Gould nominated Emma L. Martin, seconded by Mrs. Williams of Gunnison.

Mrs. Anderson nominated Jennie McGill, seconded by Mrs. Smith of Leadville.

Nominations closed, and tellers retired.

It was moved by Mrs. Adams that we take up the question of "Badges". Carried.

Mrs. Kennedy enquired how the subject was left by the Eighth Annual Convention.

The President stated that the Eighth Convention designed the badges, but did not say whether they should be given or sold to delegates. She had had them made, and the delegates had used them and returned them to the Department Treasurer.

Tellers returned and reported 80 votes cast, necessary to a choice 41.

Jennie McGill received 42. Emma L. Martin received 38. Mrs. McGill having received the highest number of votes, was declared elected Department Junior Vice-President.

Nominations for Department Treasurer.

Lucy M. Capron nominated Janette L. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Handyside.

Mrs. Fair nominated Emma Adams, seconded by Sarah Russell.

Mrs. Adams declined the nomination.

Mrs. Kennedy moved, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss that the election of Mrs. Todd be made unanimous, and the Secretary cast the ballot of the Convention. Carried. The Secretary cast the vote, and Mrs. Todd was declared elected Department Treasurer.

Nominations for Department Chaplain.

Mrs. Hartzell nominated Climena G. Howard, seconded by Mrs. Sanford. Mrs. Howard declined.

Mrs. Kennedy nominated Carrie V. Donaldson, seconded by Mrs. McGill.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss, that the nominations be closed and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Donaldson. Carried.

The Secretary cast the vote for Mrs. Donaldson, and she was declared elected Department Chaplain.

Nominations for members of Executive Board.

Nominations for first member.

Mrs. Sanford nominated Virginia Feeny, seconded by Susie J. Searl.

Mrs. La Count nominated May H. Maynard, seconded by Miss Fisher. Nominations closed.

Tellers retired to count the vote.

Discussion on Badges resumed. Mrs. Olney moved, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the Badges be retained by the Department.

Remarks from Mrs. Olney, Anderson, Todd and others.

Report of Tellers.

Whole number of votes cast 78; necessary to a choice 40; Virginia Feeny received 63; May H. Maynard received 15.

Mrs. Feeny declared elected first member of Executive Board.

Mrs. Olney nominated May H. Maynard for second member of Executive Board, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss. There being no other nominee, the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Maynard, and she was declared elected second member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for third member of Executive Board.

Mrs. Hartzell nominated Sarah Russell, seconded by Mrs. McGill.

Mrs. O'Brien nominated Clara Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Capron.

Mrs. Sandford nominated Ella D. Low, seconded by Mrs. Brewer.

Tellers retired.

Discussion resumed.

Mrs. Klock moved to amend the motion by adding the following: "that all delegates or representatives taking a badge shall receipt for same, and return badge after Convention to Department Treasurer." Seconded by Mrs. McGill. Motion as amended, carried.

Report of tellers.

Whole number of votes cast 77; necessary to a choice 39.

Clara Hooper received 40.

Ella D. Low received 19.

Sarah Russell received 18.

Mrs. Hooper having received the highest numbers of votes cast, was declared elected third member of Executive Board.

Motion to adjourn till 1:30 p. m. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION, MAY 18.

Meeting called to order at 1:30 p. m. by the President.

Susie M. Carr was appointed Secretary *pro tem*, during the temporary absence of Secretary.

All present reported members of the Order.

Roll-call of Convention; 77 reported present.

Nominations were declared in order for fourth member of Executive Board.

Mrs. Russell was nominated by Mrs. Capron, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss. There being no further nominations, it was moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Handyside, that nominations be closed, and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Russell. Carried.

Nominations for fifth member of Executive Board.

Mrs. Hooper nominated Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. McNider.

On motion of Mrs. Crosby, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss, the nominations were declared closed, and the Secretary instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Adams. Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Hotchkiss, a telegram was sent to Mrs. Charlotte R. Coe, President of T. H. Dodd Corps, extending to her the sym-

pathies of the members of this Convention on her sad bereavement in the death of her son.

Chairman on Resolutions read the following, presented by Mrs. Howard.

WHEREAS, the statement in Rules and Regulations in regard to the amount that Corps shall charge for Initiation Fee is very indefinite, and causes a great deal of correspondence in regard to the same. Therefore,

Resolved, that we petition the National Convention to place the sum to be charged for Initiation on the Application Blank.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that we adopt this resolution, and that the same be forwarded to the National Secretary.

The following resolutions from the Department of Nebraska, having been considered by Committee on Resolutions, were read by Laura S. Dodge.

WHEREAS, The National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps as now composed of Departments, many of them remote from the place where it is held—the majority of whom defray their own expenses, and can ill afford to devote the entire week to the large amount of business that is annually brought before it, much of which is only of general interest to a portion of the representation, and

WHEREAS, all representatives would consider they had failed in the performance of duty intrusted to them, did they not assist in the important business to be legislated upon. Therefore be it

1 *Resolved*, That we petition the National Convention to limit the time of their session to two days, or transact the most important business, including the election of officers, which shall be made the special order of the day, not later than the afternoon of the second day.

WHEREAS, the cost of supplies is burdensome to many of our weaker Corps, and deters many from forming new Corps because of their inability to purchase the necessary supplies at the present ratio; therefore

2 *Resolved*, That we petition the National Convention that the furnishing of Department Supplies be let to the lowest bidder, that the expense may be reduced to the minimum.

Resolved, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the President of each Department to be presented to their respective conventions.

No. 1 approved. No. 2 not approved.

FRANCES J. KLOCK,
ISA E. CROSBY,
LUCY M. CAPRON,
LAURA S. DODGE,
MARY J. HANDYSIDE.

Moved by America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Crosby, that the Resolutions be taken up separately. Carried.

First Resolution read.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the report of Committee be accepted. Carried.

Second Resolution read.

Moved by America Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that we accept the report of Committee. Carried.

Chair declared nominations in order for Delegate-at-Large.

Mrs. McGill nominated Alice T. Smith of Meade Corps, seconded by Mrs. Patterson.

No further names being presented, it was moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Crosby, that the nominations close, and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Smith. Carried.

Lucy M. Campbell was nominated as first Delegate by Mrs. Patterson, seconded by Mrs. Johnson. There being no further nominations, moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Smith, that the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Campbell. Carried.

Nominations for second Delegate.

Mrs. Wright was nominated by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Anderson. There being no further nominations, Mrs. Hotchkiss moved that nominations be closed, and the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. Wright. Carried.

Nominations for Alternates.

Mrs. La Count was nominated by Mrs. Purrier, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss.

Mrs. Fair was nominated by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Campbell.

Mrs. Weppeler nominated by Mrs. Hartzell, seconded by Miss Wolcott.

There being only one nominee for each position as Alternate, the Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of the Convention for the same. Mrs. La Count, Mrs. Camilla Smith Fair and Mrs. Weppeler were declared unanimously elected.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, that the proceedings of this Convention be printed.

The Chair asked her to include in her motion the number of copies desired.

Mrs. Anderson thought it best to leave it to the descretion of the outgoing President. Motion carried.

Minutes of previous sessions of Convention read by Department Secretary, corrected and approved by Convention.

Mrs. Howard, Department Counselor then stepped forward and addressed the retiring President as follows:

MRS. CARR:—I ask a moment of your precious time while you are yet our Department President.

You will soon place in the hands of your successor, this gavel and all the belongings of this Department. The President's badge which now adorns your breast will be transferred to hers.

We desire that these last moments of your administration be made more precious, more golden-winged, than you could possibly have anticipated, by the gift to you, of this Past Department President's badge.

It seemed particularly fitting that a badge of our order should be chosen, to remind you of our constant love, and of our appreciation of your devotion to this grand work. It was just ten years ago, in the city of Denver, that you helped, by your voice, to formulate the preamble that stands at the head of our rules and regulations. In fact you were one of the noble mothers of our Order, and we are all very proud of you to-day.

This golden jeweled badge, so complete, so chaste and elegant, is the result of loving forethought. It was conceived in the hearts of your corps members, your own McPherson Corps of Longmont, and they, with this Ninth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming, desire that I should place it in your keeping.

It was made in Colorado's "Queen City of the Plains." The gold of which it is composed was taken from the grand old Rocky mountains, at whose base you have lived for twenty-two happy years.

We hope that the memories which you will retain of your last year's work, will be like the jewels on this bar pin, "clear cut and precious."

Mrs. Carr was deeply touched, and expressed her thanks and appreciation of the gift in a very feeling manner.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Crosby, that we proceed at once to the Installation of Officers. Carried.

By request, Past Department President, America Anderson, assisted by Lucy M. Capron as Conductor, proceeded to install the following officers.

President—Laura S. Dodge.

S. V. President—Susie J. Searl.

J. V. President—Jennie McGill.

Treasurer—Janette L. Todd.

Chaplain—Carrie V. Donaldson.

The Department President then announced the following appointments:

Secretary—Isa E. Crosby.

Inspector—Sadie M. Fisher.

I. and I. Officer—Lucy M. Capron.

Counselor—Mary L. Carr.

Those appointed were duly installed.

The Department President thanked the members of the Convention for the honor conferred upon her ; also the Installing Officer for her efficient services.

A Council meeting was called to meet in the hall immediately after the close of the Convention.

There being no further business, the Department President, Laura S. Dodge, declared the Ninth Annual Convention closed.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.



MINUTES OF COUNCIL MEETINGS.

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING.

FEENEY HALL, BOULDER, COLO. }
April 28, 1892. }

The first Council meeting of the new Department Officers was held immediately after the close of the Eighth Annual Convention, W. R. C., Thursday, April 28.

All the newly installed officers and the members of the Executive Board were present.

Department President presiding. The following were appointed as Auditing Committee to audit the books and accounts: Orphie E. Bacon, Chairman, Longmont; Janette L. Todd, Denver, and Elnora Baker, Fort Collins.

A discussion then followed as to the best way to dispose of the chairs and desk belonging to the Department.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. M. Berwick-Anderson, that this furniture of the Department be turned over to the Department Relief Committee, when such Committee is appointed, to dispose of as they consider best. Motion carried.

The Department President then addressed her new co-workers, expressing her determination to do her part as thoroughly and well as she could, and earnestly requested the assistance of each and every one to make the work of the Department a success.

A hearty assurance of good will and assistance was given her by the officers.

No other business being in order, the meeting adjourned subject to the call of Department President.

MARY TELLER BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

HOTEL OXFORD, DENVER, COLO., {
September 12, 1892. }

The Second Council meeting was held at the above place and date, the Department President, Mrs. Carr, presiding.

Members of the Council present were Department President, Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Howard, Mrs. Brenbarger, Mrs. Hotchkiss; Members of the Executive Board, Mrs. Todd and Mrs. M. Berwick-Anderson.

The minutes of the first meeting were read and approved.

The special call for this meeting was the election of Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention at Washington.

The first regularly elected delegate, Mary E. Bartlett of Cheyenne, having sent in her resignation, as had also the Alternate-at-Large and the other two Alternates, the same were read by the Secretary.

Upon motion made by M. Berwick-Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Todd, the resignations were accepted.

The President then declared nominations for Delegates in order.

Mrs. Hotchkiss nominated Effie V. B. Aldrich of Joe Hooker Corps, Monte Vista, as delegate. The nomination was seconded by Mrs. Howard. Mrs. Aldrich was elected first delegate to the National Convention.

Mrs. Todd nominated Ellen B. Billow of Kit Carson Corps, Lamar, for Alternate-at-Large, seconded by M. Berwick-Anderson. Mrs. Billow was duly elected.

Mrs. Anderson nominated Agnes Neff of U. S. Grant Corps, Greeley, as first alternate, seconded by Mrs. Todd. Mrs. Neff was declared elected.

Mrs. Todd nominated May H. Maynard of J. F. Reynolds Corps, Cheyenne, second alternate, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss. Mrs. Maynard was duly elected.

The Secretary was instructed to notify the delegates and alternates of their election.

Mrs. Howard moved, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the Council

accept and approve the work of the Department President on the matter of the Badges for the National Convention. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hotchkiss, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, that the letters W. R. C., be engraved on the silver brick of the badge. Carried.

Moved and seconded that a common pin be furnished for the ribbon badges. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss, that the ribbon badges be sold at fifty cents. Carried.

Mrs. Todd reported having sold the furniture belonging to the Department. The report was accepted.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Hotchkiss, that the traveling expenses of members of Department Council be paid by the Department. Carried.

The question of contributing to the purchase of a present for National President by this Department, was presented, and it was moved that the matter be left to the discretion of the Department President. Carried.

No further business being in Order, the Council adjourned to meet again at the call of the Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER, *Dept. Secretary.*

THIRD COUNCIL MEETING.

DENVER, COLO., March 14, 1893.

The Third Council meeting was held in Corps room of Farragut Corps No. 1, Denver, March 14th.

Members of Department Council present, Mesdames Carr, Dodge, Brenbarger, Condit, Todd, Bacon, and Campbell; Emma Johnson, Chairman Department Relief Committee; Past Department Presidents, Catherine C. Kennedy and America Anderson. Also Presidents of Farragut, Meade, Veteran and Joe Hooker Corps, as visitors.

The Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Department President then stated the object of the present meeting being to ascertain the pleasure of the ladies in regard to an exhibit from this Department to the World's Fair. After a full dis-

cussion of the question, by unanimous vote it was decided to furnish a Banner, with a painting of the Royal Gorge and the Rocky Mountain Columbine on it.

The Department President appointed as a Committee to carry out the plans suggested, Jannette L. Todd, Chairman; America Anderson, and Catherine C. Kennedy. This Committee was empowered to purchase Banner, and secure the services of one of the best artists to execute the work. They were also instructed to make a report to Department Convention.

It was decided by Council to ask for voluntary contributions from the several Corps in the Department towards the fund necessary for the Banner.

No other business being in order the Council adjourned.

MARY T. BRENBARGER, *Dept. Secretary.*

FOURTH COUNCIL MEETING.

SOUTHERN HOTEL, PUEBLO, COLO., May 16, 1893.

The fourth and last meeting of Department Council was held at Department Headquarters, Room 56. All members of the Council being present except Department Chaplain, Mary A. Condit, M. Berwick-Anderson and Elnora Baker, members of Executive Board.

Mrs. Dodge was appointed on Auditing Committee in the Absence of Mrs. Elnora Baker.

The Committee reported the Secretary's and Treasurer's books correct, and highly commended the work of the officers for the year.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and with a slight correction were approved.

There being no further business to come before the Council, after thanking the members of the Council for their kindness and assistance during the past year, the Department President then declared the meeting adjourned, *sine die*.

Submitted in F. C. & L.,

MARY TELLER BRENBARGER,

Department Secretary.

Decisions of the Ninth Department Convention.

- 1st. That the representations to Department Conventions remain the same as at present, one for every twenty, and one for the final fraction of over half that number.
- 2d. That the per capita tax remain the same, fifteen cents per member.
- 3d. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at headquarters for one year.
- 4th. That a record be kept at headquarters giving the date of organization of Corps, and names of Charter Members; also a record of all disbanded Corps, and cause of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.
- 5th. That Department and Assistant Inspectors be required to copy all written matter on Charters at the time of inspection of the several Corps, forwarding the same to headquarters, that a complete record of all Charters may be secured.
- 6th. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.
- 7th. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in our Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that date of organization be added to the Roster.
- 8th. That a uniform size of letter paper be used by Corps in corresponding with Department Officers, as it is more convenient for filing.
- 9th. That the Department Secretary, when sending out election return blanks to the Corps Presidents, enclose therewith installation blanks in envelopes addressed to the Department I. and I. Officer, the blanks to be filled out by the Installation Officer, and forwarded immediately after installation.
- 10th. That on election returns sent to Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.

- 11th. That a General Order, containing the address of the Department Chaplain, be sent to all Corps Chaplains.
- 12th. That Corps Treasurers' bonds be furnished free to all Corps; Department Secretary to send same with Corps Secretaries' and Treasurers' blanks, the last quarter of the year.
- 13th. That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blanks, the amount due to accompany the order, as per Rules and Regulations.
- 14th. That all supplies ordered by mail be registered, the Corps paying the Registry fee.
- 15th. That the "Delegate Badges" ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention remain the property of the Department, and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge, and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the Convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of badge at her discretion.



UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

The spacious Hall of the I. O. O. F. that had been secured for the use of the Department Convention of the W. R. C., was decorated with banners; and beautiful potted plants were arranged around the Altar and throughout the Hall in a very artistic manner.

The local Committees were very active and attentive to their duties and great credit is due them for the able and successful manner in which the arrangements were carried out.

On Tuesday evening, Upton Relief Corps tendered the delegates of W. R. C. Convention and the G. A. R. Encampment a reception at Board of Trade Hall. The program included music, speeches and recitations and was most successfully carried out, after which refreshments were served by members of the local Corps assisted by the ladies of Pueblo.

Wednesday at 4 p. m. the W. R. C. Convention took a recess to view the parade of the G. A. R., and were happily surprised to see a much larger number in line than ever before.

The grey headed "boys" were very enthusisatic, and though now and then one could be seen with a step suggestive of a "limp," it did not seem to lessen the enjoyment of the occasion.

The new Department Banner of the W. R. C. in charge of Comrade Todd, was displayed on the line of the parade in honor of the veterans, and received a salute from the marching columns.

The closing entertainment was the Camp-Fire given by the G. A. R. at Board of Trade Hall, on the evening of May 17th. The large Hall was filled with a joyous and enthusiastic crowd. Good music and speeches of wit and wisdom were the order of the evening. The exercises being informal, the Comrades availed themselves of the opportunity to "talk."

It was fully demonstrated that the "Camp-fire" is where the old soldiers feel at home.

The generous hospitality and kindly courtesies of the citizens of Pueblo were duly appreciated by the visitors.

GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., May 5, 1892

General Orders, }
No 1. }

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at the 8th Annual Convention, held at Boulder, April 26th, 27th and 28th, 1892, I accept the trust confided to me, and extend my grateful acknowledgements to the members of the Convention for this expression of their confidence.

In assuming the office, I assure you I am not unmindful of the arduous labors and grave responsibilities attendant upon it, but relying upon the loyal support of the earnest and intelligent women of our Order, I trust that I may be so aided in the discharge of my duties as to preserve the harmony and increase the prosperity of our grand organization.

I. Department Headquarters are established at Longmont, Boulder County, Colorado, and Mary T. Brenbarger has been appointed Secretary.

II. May S. Hotchkiss having been re-elected Treasurer, all communications and orders for supplies will be addressed as heretofore, to Greeley, Colo.

A list of elected and appointed officers will be published in subsequent orders.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

This work received the hearty endorsement of the 13th Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, of Boulder, ranks "A 1," in exemplification of ritualistic work. This Corps merits the praise so cordially bestowed upon it for making this one of the most instructive and pleasant features of the Convention.

The high standing of the Order in this Department is largely due, to the many able women who have strived so earnestly during their administrations to broaden the field of labor, and inspire the workers with love and sympathy for the principles and objects of our organization.

With the full assurance of assistance from my associates, it will be the aim of this administration to move onward in the work in the same line that has proved so successful to my predecessors.

Department Commander JOHN C. KENNEDY extends to the officers and members of the Woman's Relief Corps, his compliments, trusting "they will at once take up the work of assisting and encouraging the comrades of the Department, to attend what will be the most notable Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic held since the war, because of its location at the capital of the country, and on the same ground where so many of our comrades paraded, stacked arms and broke ranks for the last time."

The following are the

DECISIONS OF THE EIGHTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, DEPARTMENT
COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C.

- 1st. That rituals and badges (new ribbon being supplied the latter) belonging to Corps disbanded, be sold at regular prices.
- 2d. That Charters and books of Secretary and Treasurer, belonging to Corps disbanded, be burned by the incoming administration.
- 3d. That the newly elected President appoint a committee to examine the accumulation of letters, reports and printed matter, and burn that which is useless to the Department.
- 4th. That the President elect be furnished with a copy of Decisions of Eighth Department Convention, within fifteen days after its adjournment.
- 5th. That the rate of representation to Department Convention remain the same; one for every twenty members, and one additional for the fraction of more than one half that number.
- 6th. That the per capita tax remain fifteen cents per quarter.
- 7th. That Corps meet at least twice a month.
- 8th. That all orders for supplies be sent direct to the Department Treasurer.

- 9th. That at least two members of the Executive Board be elected from Corps nearest the Department President, in order to facilitate the auditing of the books and accounts.
- 10th. That the Corps quarterly reports be filled out on day of last meeting in quarter, the same to be enclosed in one envelope, and forwarded without delay to Department Secretary.
- 11th. That the Corps Secretaries file and preserve quarterly reports for at least one year. That each Corps purchase a Letter-file for above purpose.
- 12th. That Department Secretary in distributing quarterly blanks to Corps Secretaries, shall indicate in *red ink on line 15, Form A.* "No. remaining suspended, last report," which *shall not be changed*, the same to be a copy of Column 16, on Consolidated Report of previous quarter.
- 13th. That a Red Book be purchased at once by every Corps in this Department for the use of officers especially, by so doing much valuable time and postage may be saved.
- 14th. That Corps having books more that three years old purchase new, with specimen sheets having work of Treasurer in full.
- 15th. That a committee of five be oppointed to design a badge, for use of delegates to future National Conventions.
- 16th. That the President elect shall nominate a member of the Woman's Relief Corps for the Home Commission and shall petition the Governor to appoint the same.

Acting on the decision of the Eighth Annual Convention, I hereby appoint AMERICA ANDERSON, CLIMENA G. HOWARD, SARAH A. CALVERT and JOSEPHINE CHEESEMAN, to examine papers that have accumulated during past administrations, and use their judgment in disposing of same.

Corps Chaplains are reminded that the Memorial Day blanks, which have already been sent to them, must be filled out *immediately* after Memorial Day, and forwarded to Department Chaplain MARY A. CONDIT, 743 South 11th street, Denver Colo.

The "Roll of Honor" established by my predecessor, will be continued through the year. It is to be hoped a friendly rivalry will be shown among the Corps in sending in prompt and correct reports on or before the fifth day after the close of the quarter.

All orders for supplies must be forwarded to MAY S. HOTCHKISS, Department Treasurer, Greeley, Colo.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., May 12, 1892.

General Orders, {
No. 3. }

Memorial day is the one day of the year when we gather from town, city and village, imbued with the same spirit of loyal devotion, to do homage to those who formed that great army that, more than a quarter of a century ago, was called to defend the nation and save it from disunion.

In memory of those whose "graves are nameless and dateless" we weave the chaplets of green, and we scatter flowers in profusion on the graves of thousands, who returned with the victorious army, to die midst scenes of peace, soothed by affection's hand, and now rest peacefully on their native hill-sides and in quiet vales, where

—"no battle cry can wake them,
And no orders call them hence."

The humblest and lowliest that filled the ranks and gave their lives and services to their country, are worthy the tributes we place above their dust.

Let us not forget the duty incumbent upon us "to inculcate lessons of patriotism and love of country among our children and in the communities in which we live, and encourage the spread of universal liberty and equal rights to all."

May the "deeds of all loyal women who rendered loving service to their country in her hour of peril" be not forgotten.

"O martyrs of more than duty!
Sweet-hearted, woman-braves!
Did you think, in this day's sad beauty,
That we could forget your graves?"

May the members of our Order "aid and assist the Grand Army to perpetuate the memory of their heroic dead" forgetting not our own loyal women, who, true to the spirit of fraternity, charity and loyalty, have served faithfully and well, and "now rest from their labors, their duties done."

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., July 12, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS }
 No 4. }

I. Permission is granted to the Corps in this Department to suspend one regular meeting a month, during the months of July and August.

The President has appointed as Department Relief Committee:

Emma Johnson, Corps No. 17, Denver, Annie Cline, Corps No. 42, Denver.

Camilla Smith Fair, Corps No. 8, Leadville.

The following are appointed Aides on the Staff of Department President, and will be obeyed and respected accordingly:

Lou Faust,.....Corps No. 42,	Edna Hood,.....Corps No. 25
Maggie McCain...Corps No. 24,	Edith Corporan,....Corps No. 38
Gwendolen Powell, Corps No. 19,	Effie V. B. Aldrich,, Corps No. 43
Bell Stuart,.....Corps No. 45,	Emma Powers,.....Corps No. 44
Laura Snyder,.....Corps No. 17.	

The President expects each one appointed to make herself efficient in the work, and be able to advise and assist in everything pertaining to the welfare of our Order in this Department.

Aides will please acknowledge the acceptance or non-acceptance of appointment.

Twenty-six Corps have sent in Reports before the 5th of this month. This is highly appreciated by Department Officers, as it enables them to make prompt returns to the National Officers.

Inquiries have been made as to the order, in which Corps holding their meeting in different dates, would be placed on the Roll of Honor.

All Corps sending in *correct* reports before the 5th of the month following the closing of the quarter, hold *equal* rank on the Roll of Honor.

ROLL OF HONOR, SECOND QUARTER, 1892.

Upton.	Geo. H. Thomas,
F. H. Dodd,	Nathaniel Lyon,
George G. Meade,	Battle Mountain,
Colorado Springs,	Kit Carson,
Jas. A. Garfield,	McPherson,
J. F. Reynolds,	George Crook.
Gunnison.	Akron,
U. S. Grant.	Colorado City.

Grand Junction,
Greenwood,
Custer,
W. T. Sherman,
Thornburg,

Pike's Peak,
Phil Sheridan,
George Washington,
Joe Hooker,
John C. Fremont.

Attention of Corps Presidents is called to the importance of having No. 16 on Secretary's Quarterly Reports filled out correctly, as these figures are marked in red ink, on the blanks sent out for next quarter. Corps Presidents must bear in mind that they are attesting to the correctness of reports, when they attach their signatures.

As many of the reports were not sent by corps to the proper officers, it is necessary to repeat, that all checks, drafts or money orders, for per capita tax, must be made payable to May S. Hotchkiss, Department Treasurer, Greeley, Colo., but must be enclosed with reports to Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont, Colo.

The Journals of the 8th Department Convention have been forwarded to all delegates and representatives. Copies will be forwarded to any member on receipt of five cents for postage.

The National Convention of the W. R. C. will be held in Washington September 20th. An invitation has been extended to the WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, by Commander Kennedy, to accompany the G. A. R. on the official train.

Full information will be given in regard to transportation, and accommodations in subsequent orders.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS. }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
LONGMONT, COLO., August, 20, 1892.

General Orders }
No 5. }

I. The Annual Inspection of Corps in this Department will occur during the months of September, October and November.

II. The great territory included in this Department, and the widely separated Corps, have made the duties of Department Inspector extremely arduous and the Inspection expensive. Therefore, in accordance with Rules and Regulations, the Department has been divided into districts,

and upon the nomination of Department Inspector, the following Assistant Inspectors have been appointed, and they will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

Districts and appointments are as follows :

Department Inspector, JESSIE SHARP PURRIER.

DISTRICT No. 1.—Monte Vista, Gunnison, Grand Junction, Aspen, Red Cliff, Leadville, Silver Cliff and Salida.

JANETTE L. TODD, Chairman Executive Board.

DISTRICT No. 2.—Canon City, Pueblo, Colorado City, Colorado Springs, and Manitou.

LAURA S. DODGE, Senior Vice President.

DISTRICT No. 3.—Littleton, Denver, Golden and Georgetown.

MAY S. HOTCHKISS, Department Treasurer.

DISTRICT No. 4.—Boulder, Longmont, Fort Collins and Evans.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD, Department Counselor.

Greeley.

Department President.

La Junta, Lamar, Holyoke, Akron, and Corps of Wyoming.

III. Department Inspector will consult with her assistants in regard to the time of Inspection, and due notice must be given all Corps.

IV. Corps Presidents will call special meetings, if necessary, and must notify all members of same, and urge upon them the duty of attending Corps Inspection.

V. The complete work of the ritual must be exemplified, and regular Order of Business carried out.

VI. It is important that the Inspector and her assistants thoroughly acquaint themselves with the work they are expected to perform, that they may be able to give instruction, wherever necessary, to advance the interests and promote the welfare of the Corps.

VII. Particular attention should be given to small Corps. Needful counsel and words of encouragement may keep the weak and disheartened from dropping from the ranks.

VIII. I trust that Corps officers will render all assistance necessary, that the inspection may not only be thorough, but will also result in renewed zeal and increased interest in the work of the Order.

IX. Traveling expenses of inspecting officers are paid by the Department; but Corps are expected to entertain officers during their visit of inspection.

X. Assistant Inspectors will make returns to Department Inspector JESSIE SHARP PURRIER, Gunnison, within ten days after inspection.

XI. The number of delegates to the next Department Convention depends upon the number of members in good standing in the Corps on September 30th. Corps Treasurers should notify all in arrears, and make strenuous efforts to bring in all delinquent members in order that the Corps may be fully represented.

XII. Corps Treasurers needing supplies will please to order them at once, as the Department Treasurer will be in Washington during the session of the National Convention.

XIII. The Tenth National Convention of the W. R. C. will be held in Washington, D. C., September 20th, at Metzert's Music Hall. The cordial invitation extended to the Officers of the Department, friends and members of the W. R. C., by J. C. Kennedy, Department Commander, to accompany him on the official train, has been accepted. The train will leave Denver on the evening of Sept. 15th. The official route has not yet been determined.

XIV. The National President has found it necessary to again issue a new password, which is forwarded with this order. Corps Presidents will promulgate it at once, as all members desiring to visit the National Convention in Washington must obtain this password, and can only receive it from their Corps Presidents.

XV. The following is a full list of Representatives and Delegates to the National Convention :

Mary E. Simpson, *Past National Jun. Vice Pres.*

Past Dept. Presidents.

Dept. Officers.

Katharine C. Kennedy,
Mary Jewett Telford,
Augusta B. Henderson.
America Anderson,
Climena G. Howard.

Mary L. Carr, *Dept. Pres.*
Laura S. Dodge, *Sen. Vice Pres.*
Mina Sanford, *Jun. Vice Pres.*
May S. Hotchkiss, *Dept. Treas.*
Mary T. Brenbarger, *Dept. Sec'y.*

Delegates.

Alternates.

Emily Merdith, Denver.
Margelia Hamilton, Denver.
Mary E. Bartlett, Cheyenne, Wyo.

Eugenia Olney, Gunnison.
Ann Eliza Woodard, Tie Siding, Wyo.
Charlotte R. Coe, Golden.

XVI. The sad death of Mary E. Cheney, Senior Vice President of Joe Hooker Corps. of Monte Vista, has deprived the order of a faithful and earnest worker. We extend to the Corps our sincere sympathy, and offer our tribute of remembrance.

By command of

MARY L. CARR.
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., November 14, 1892.

General Orders }
No 6. }

I. In accordance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, the annual election of Corps officers will occur on the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting if necessary to conclude the election. Each member of the Corps must be notified of the meeting and its object.

II. The election of the delegates and alternates to the Ninth Annual Department Convention will take place at the same meeting. The ratio of representation is one delegate and one alternate for every twenty members in good standing as reported at the close of the third quarter ending September 30th, 1892, and one delegate and alternate for a final fraction for more than one half that number.

III. Each Corps is entitled to one delegate and one alternate whatever its membership may be.

IV. Too much care cannot be exercised in the selection of officers. Only those pledging themselves to faithfully carry out the work entrusted to their hands should be selected. Officers should fully realize that the prosperity and perpetuity of the Corps depend, in a great measure, upon their tact, skill and correct management of affairs.

V. Corps Presidents will cause to be read Article VII, Chapter II, of Rules and Regulations, previous to election.

VI. The officers elect must be installed into their respective offices at the first regular meeting in January or at a special meeting called for the purpose during the month.

VII. Installing officers will be selected by the newly elected officers, the Corps Secretary immediately reporting their choice, also the date of installation, to Department Secretary. If a member from another Corps be selected, the appointment will be made by the Department President, upon the request of the officers elect. The traveling and local expenses must be borne by the Corps.

VIII. Installation blanks will be forwarded to Installing Officers.

IX. Immediately after installation the Installing Officer must make duplicate lists of the newly elected Corps officers (including delegates and alternates) on the blanks prepared for that purpose. The same must be certified as correct by the retiring President, and one list forwarded to Department Secretary, and one to Emma B. Billow, Department Instituting and Installing Officer, Lamar, Colo. (See R. and R. Chapter V, Article II, Sec. 1.)

X. Whenever convenient joint public installations with Posts are recommended.

XI. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter, having sent in correct reports by the fifth of October :

Farragut.....	No. 1	George H. Thomas.....	No. 26
Upton.....	No. 2	Nathaniel Lyon.....	No. 27
T. H. Dodd.....	No. 5	Battle Mountain.....	No. 29
George G. Meade.....	No. 6	Kit Carson.....	No. 31
E. V. Sumner.....	No. 7	McPherson.....	No. 32
James A. Garfield.....	No. 8	Chester A. Arthur.....	No. 33
J. F. Reynolds.....	No. 9	George Crook.....	No. 35
Gunnison.....	No. 12	Akron.....	No. 36
Veteran.....	No. 14	E. M. Stanton.....	No. 37
Grand Junction.....	No. 17	Colorado City.....	No. 38
Winfield Scott.....	No. 19	Pike's Peak.....	No. 39
Custer.....	No. 20	Phil Sheridan.....	No. 41
W. T. Sherman.....	No. 24	Joe Hooker.....	No. 43
Thornburg.....	No. 25	Holyoke.....	No. 44

XII. Corps Treasurers are required to notify in writing all members in arrears, and furnish the President with a list of the same.

XIII. The new National password is sent with these orders.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., March 15, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No 7. }

I. The Ninth Annual Convention of the WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS. DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, will be held in Pueblo, May 17, 18 and 19, 1893. Information in regard to railroad rates and accommodations will be given in future orders.

II. The newly elected Corps officers are requested to make careful study of the filling out of the quarterly reports. The Finance Committee should be prompt in auditing the books of the Secretary and Treasurer. that Reports may not be delayed on this account. The Corps President should

meet with the Secretary and Treasurer, and satisfy herself of the accuracy of the reports before attaching her signature.

III. Instructions for forwarding reports are again repeated, for the benefit of new officers: All money orders for per-capita tax are made payable to the Department Treasurer, May S. Hotchkiss, Greeley, and forwarded with both reports to Department Secretary, Mary T. Brenbarger, Longmont. This is the first quarter in the year, and we trust that every officer will prove herself prompt and efficient in her work. Corps Presidents are urged to forward their reports in season to reach Headquarters by April 5th.

IV. In many Corps the "gain" is balanced by "suspended." This is a discredit to our Department, and great efforts should be made to remedy this one "besetting evil" that so often cuts down our representation in both Department and National Conventions. The name of all Corps not having "suspended" members for first quarter will be published in next General Orders. Corps Installing Officers not having forwarded installation returns should forward the same immediately to Department I. and I. Officer, Ellen B. Billow, Lamar, Colo.

V. I hereby announce the disbanding of Colorado City Corps No. 38. Colorado City, Colorado.

VI. The cheerful response given by Corps to the appeal for aid in furnishing cots for the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, was highly appreciated. The amount contributed by the several Corps to the Soldiers' Home is as follows:

Geo. G. Meade...Corps No. 6,	\$25 00	Gunnison.....Corps No. 12,	\$10 00
James A. Garfield " " 8,	25 00	W. T. Sherman " " 24,	5 00
Veteran..... " " 14,	25 00	Akron..... " " 36,	5 00
U. S. Grant.... " " 15,	25 00	Winfield Scott, " " 19,	5 00
Nat. Lyon,..... " " 27,	25 00	Colorado City, " " 38,	5 00
McPherson " " 32,	25 00	M. M. Crocker, " " 40,	5 00
Thornburg,.... " " 25,	15 00	Battle Mountain " " 29,	4 00

Commandant Lennon of the Soldiers' Home desires to extend his sincere thanks to the Corps in this Department for their liberal donations.

VII. Attention is called to the change in Rules and Regulations by the Tenth National Convention. Initiations permitted at special meetings,

VIII. The following Corps are on Roll of Honor for fourth quarter, having sent in correct reports by Jan. 5th.

Colorado Springs.....Corps No. 4	Kit Carson.....Corps No. 31
T. H. Dodd..... " " 5	McPherson " " 32
E. V. Sumner..... " " 7	Kilpatrick " " 34
Jas. A. Garfield..... " " 8	Geo. Crook..... " " 35
J. F. Reynolds..... " " 9	E. M. Stanton..... " " 37

Gunnison.....	Corps No. 12	Colorado City.....	Corps No. 38
Veteran.....	" " 14	Pike's Peak.....	" " 39
U. S. Grant.....	" " 15	M. M. Crocker.....	" " 40
Custer.....	" " 20	Phil Sheridan.....	" " 41
W. T. Sherman.....	" " 24	Geo. Washington.....	" " 42
Geo. H. Thomas.....	" " 26	Joe Hooker.....	" " 43
Nathaniel Lyon.....	" " 27	Holyoke.....	" " 44
Battle Mountain.....	" " 29	J. C. Fremont.....	" " 45

IX. Meade Corps No. 6, reports greatest gain in membership for fourth quarter. It also leads in Relief extended. George Washington Corps No. 42 has expended the most in Relief, in proportion to its membership.

X. The new edition of Rules and Regulations has not been received by Department Treasurer. These, together with supplies, will be promptly forwarded as soon as received from National Treasurer.

XI. America Anderson, of Meade Corps No. 6, has been appointed Assistant National Inspector.

XII. Journals of Tenth National Convention have not been received.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBERGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

LONGMONT, COLO., April 19, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS }
No 8. }

I The Ninth Annual Convention of this Department will convene in Odd Fellows Hall, Pueblo, Colo., Wednesday, May 17, 1893. The Convention will be called to order promptly at nine o'clock, a. m. All members of the Convention are requested to be in their seats at the hour named.

II. Department Headquarters will be established at the Southern Hotel. A meeting of the Department Council will be held at Headquarters, Tuesday, May 16th, at 3 o'clock.

III. Delegates are expected to be present at every session, and it is hoped that each Corps in the Department will be represented. All members of the Order in good standing are cordially invited to be present.

IV. The representation in Department Convention will be found in Rules and Regulations, Chapter III., Article II.

V. Corps organized since January 1st, will be represented by their Presidents (or Vice-Presidents, according to seniority).

VI. Credential Cards will be used in accordance with decisions of Tenth National Convention. The Department Secretary will forward to Corps Presidents the requisite number of Credential Cards, according to Election Returns; they must be signed by Corps President and Secretary, excepting that of President, which must be signed by the Senior Vice-President and Secretary of the Corps.

VII. Committee on Credentials is as follows: Mary T. Brenbarger, Department Secretary, May S. Hotchkiss, Department Treasurer, and Virginia T. Feeny, Corps No. 27. The Credential Committee will meet in Convention Hall Tuesday, May 16th, at 5 p. m. to receive the credentials of Delegates and Representatives of the Convention.

VIII. Railroad rates will be one fare for the round trip on all roads in Colorado, and from all points in Wyoming where Posts or Corps are located. Tickets will be on sale May 15th and 16th.

IX. Hotel rates will be as follows: Southern Hotel \$2.00 per day; Royal House, \$2.00 per day; Grand, \$3.00 per day. Rooms in private houses can be secured for one dollar per day. Members desiring rooms or board should address, Mrs. Tillie Heslet, 615 Route Ave., Chairman of Reception Committee.

X. A Committee from Upton Corps will meet the Delegates on incoming trains.

XI. The Books of the Department Treasurer will be closed May 5th. Corps in need of supplies must order before that date.

XII. Department officers are requested to forward their reports at as early a date as possible.

XIII. Corps Presidents will forward to Department Secretary names of all members deceased during the year.

XIV. All bills of Department officers against the Department should be sent to Department Secretary, by May 1st.

XV. All resolutions, recommendations and questions, requiring action of the Convention, must be sent to Headquarters not later than May 1st.

XVI. The following Corps report "none suspended" for quarter ending March 31st.

Farragut.....	Corps No. 1	Geo. H. Thomas....	Corps No. 26
Gunnison.....	Corps No. 12	Battle Mountain...	Corps No. 29
U. S. Grant.....	Corps No. 15	Kit Carson.....	Corps No. 31
Custer.....	Corps No. 20	George Crook.....	Corps No. 35
Sherman.....	Corps No. 24	Pike's Peak.....	Corps No. 39
Thornburg.....	Corps No. 25	Joe Hooker.....	Corps No. 43
Holyoke.....	Corps No. 44		

XVII. I desire to congratulate Corps officers for their promptness in forwarding Quarterly Reports. Corps Nos. 33, 34 and 41, being the only ones not having reports sent in by the 5th of the present month.

XVIII. The following Corps, contributing to Soldiers' Home, were omitted in last General Orders: Joe Hooker, Corps No. 43, bedding and rugs valued at \$34.00; Holyoke, Corps No. 44, bedding valued at \$15.00.

XIX. All Corps sending packages to Soldiers' Home, should report the same to Department Secretary that due credit may be given them.

XX. E. M. Stanton Corps, Salida, and Greenwood Corps, Canon City, disbanded at close of fourth quarter, 1892, Charter and supplies have been forwarded to Headquarters.

XXI. Major Anderson Corps, No. 46, Harris, Colo., has been insituted, since last General Orders.

XXII. Owing to the lateness of holding Department Convention. Memorial Orders and Chaplains' Memorial Day Blanks will be issued from these Headquarters.

XXIII. The members of Upton Relief Corps No. 2, will hold a reception at Odd Fellows Hall, Tuesday evening, May 16th, to which all members of the W. R. C. and friends of the order are cordially invited.

XXIV. The members of the G. A. R. in Pueblo, will hold a Camp-fire on Wednesday evening, May 17th. A general invitation is extended to the W. R. C. and citizens of Pueblo.

By command of

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

MARY T. BRENBARGER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING.)
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS,)
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.)

LONGMONT, COLO.. December 16, 1892.

GENERAL ORDERS)
No 9.)

The Memorial Day of the Nation is close at hand. It comes when nature is putting forth bud and blossom ready for gentle hands to gather and weave in tokens of remembrance. Each year adds new mounds on which to place our offering of flowers. The rapidly lessening ranks of the Grand Army reminds us that our mission as an auxiliary to assist them in honoring their dead comrades, will soon be ended. Let us then while we may, with feelings of gratitude and a just appreciation of their services to our

country, unite with them in decorating the last resting places of those who gave their lives that the Union might be preserved.

The small white headstone bearing the word "Unknown," marks the graves of thousands "who went forth in early manhood never to return"—for these, the loved of many homes, bring flowers in abundance; garland with blossoms, mound, monument or cenotaph, wherever erected to these "unknown heroes." Forget not the lonely graves scattered throughout the South land:—

"They who in mountain and hillside and dell,
Rest where they wearied, and lie where they fell."

Remember the graves of the army nurses—those whose gentle hands ministered to the sick and suffering in camp and hospital—their patriotic devotion should never be forgotten.

Wherever practicable, let the children take an active part in the exercises of the day, that their minds may become imbued with patriotic impulses, which will develop in them the principles of Liberty and Justice, and a spirit of Loyalty for the Union that was preserved to us by so great a sacrifice.

Attention is called to Circular sent out by Phil Kearney Post No. 10, Department of Virginia and North Carolina, already forwarded to the several Corps.

Corps contributing to this purpose should report the amount at close of quarter to the incoming Department Secretary, that a record of same may be made at Headquarters.

Corps Chaplains are requested to make a full report of the observance of Memorial Day, by their respective Corps, forwarding the same, as early as June 5th, to the Department Chaplain.

By command of

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HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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LONGMONT, COLO., December 16, 1892.

Circular Letter }
No. 1. }

The number of applicants for admission to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, has made an extra demand for beds and bedding, which the Home, for want of means, is unable to furnish.

From correspondence with the Commandant, I learn that, though the Home is crowded, yet room can be made for six more cots. If these can be furnished, a number of applicants who are now waiting can be admitted.

These cots will cost with furnishings, twenty-five dollars each, and are of the same kind as those furnished the Home last year by the different Corps.

It is not expected that small Corps can aid very largely, but any amount, however small, contributed for the benefit of these needy veterans will be gratefully received. This matter is presented to the Corps for their consideration, and I trust will receive immediate attention. All moneys contributed will be forwarded to Department Treasurer, and the amount will be credited to the contributing Corps in next General Order.

On my trip of Inspection I found several Corps had become apathetic, not having any Relief work to do. Now is the time for active duty: the cold winter days bring suffering to many an old soldier and his dependent ones. Search them out, carry to them a Christmas greeting of kind words and practical remembrances. Your own joys on the "glad morn" will be made more joyous by having given "unto one of the least of these."

To each and every member of our Corps I extend a "Christmas Greeting," and may the New Year just dawning upon us, find us prepared to move bravely on in the Work.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

MARY L. CARR.

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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LONGMONT, COLO., March 28, 1892.

Circular Letter }
No. 2. }

This letter is issued for the purpose of presenting to the several Corps the subject of an exhibit at the World's Fair by the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department.

It being impracticable to wait till the meeting of the Department Convention, action has been taken by the Department Council.

It was decided to send a banner to be placed in the Woman's building, the Banner to be returned at the close of the Exposition.

The committee, consisting of Janette L. Todd, America Anderson and Catherine C. Kennedy, appointed to ascertain the cost of a Banner that will be creditable to our Department, report an estimate of one hundred and seventy-five dollars.

The Banner is to be of white silk, trimmed in the usual manner with gold lace, fringe, cord and tassels, and with a view of the Royal Gorge painted by one of our best artists.

The Council has decided to ask for voluntary contributions from the Corps in this Department to defray the necessary expense, trusting that each and every one will feel a local pride in forwarding a Banner bearing our name, and a representation of some of our grandest scenery.

Shall not Colorado and Wyoming be found in line with the other Departments at the Columbian Exposition and "side by side with other National organizations of women?"

All communications and funds will be forwarded to Janette L. Todd, Chairman of the Banner Committee, No. 2363 Blake street, Denver, Colo., who will receipt for all moneys contributed.

Yours in Faith, Charity and Loyalty,

MARY L. CARR,
Department President.

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Faragut,	1	Denver,	Mary A. Condit.
Upton,	2	Pueblo,	Loretta Mummah.
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E. V. Sumner,	7	Silver Cliff,	Emily Templeman.
James A. Garfield,	8	Leadville,	Susie J. Searl.
J. F. Reynolds,	9	Cheyenne, Wyo.,	May H. Maynard.
Gunnison,	12	Gunnison,	Jessie Sharp Purrier.
Veteran,	14	Denver,	Lucy M. Capron.
U. S. Grant,	15	Greeley,	Lucy J. Dresser.
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Winfield Scott,	19	Aspen,	Laura Buchanan.
Custer,	20	Laramie, Wyo.,	Lida E. Fitch.
W. T. Sherman,	24	Evans,	Nellie Flint.
Thornburg,	25	Georgetown.	Carrie E. Phillips.
George F. Thomas,	26	Fort Collins,	Sarah B. C. Stephenson.
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Holyoke,	44	Holyoke.	Lizzie M. Reynolds.
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PROCEEDINGS OF THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

THE Tenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, assembled in Armory Hall, Aspen, Colorado, at 2:30 o'clock p. m., June 13, 1894, and was called to order by the Department President, Laura S. Dodge. All united in repeating the Lord's prayer, led by Mrs. Fitch, Chaplain of Winfield Scott Corps, No. 19, of Aspen, followed by singing the Opening Ode. Department President announced that if there were no objections the session would remain open until after the reading of her address. Alice S. Hardesty, President of Winfield Scott Corps, No. 19, of Aspen, then advanced to the platform, and welcomed the members in a brief address, as follows:

Members of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming—

On behalf of the citizens of Aspen and the members of the Grand Army of the Republic, we extend to you a hearty welcome to Aspen, and hope that our endeavors to make your visit a pleasant one will be satisfactory in every way. We fully appreciate the honor that has been shown to us by our Department; that there were places easier to reach than Aspen, and with less expense to the Department. This we fully realize, and so consider ourselves very fortunate in securing the Encampment this year—this year of all times, when the financial condition of our country is such as to cause us the gravest fears as to the ultimate result of present legislation; but we can only hope that all strife will be settled peaceably.

Once more we have come together to review the work of the past year, and as I look over this assembly of earnest, patriotic women,—few indeed of them but had some soldier relative,—I am forcibly reminded that we are on the down-hill side of life; but I rejoice that a few years of our lives have been given to so noble a work as that done by the Woman's Relief Corps. As one Corps we cannot do much, but as an aggregation of one hundred thousand we can do a great deal, and we do.

Ladies, I am proud that I am a member of the Woman's Relief Corps, but I am still more proud of the fact that the Woman's Relief Corps is the auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. I can never

while life lasts feel anything but gratitude to the veterans of the late war, and may we, the recipients of the many blessings and comforts of this life, that was so dearly purchased by the heroes who so nobly sacrificed their lives, and all else that was dear to their hearts, in order that this might be a free country, show all honor to the memory of those who were so unfortunate as to lose their lives in our behalf; and, after thirty years, we find ourselves drawn together from the fact that we are more interested in the old soldier now than we were when he was in the pride and strength of his early manhood. As we get older we realize how much we owe him; to us he is all that is noble and grandly patriotic.

I would say a few words in behalf of our loyal women. I do not think I would do them justice if I praised them for an hour. They have not the same incentive that we, the relatives of soldiers, have, to work in the Woman's Relief Corps, and yet there are times innumerable that they make us feel ashamed of ourselves. They give of their means so unselfishly, devote their time and energy to this great work, and take as much pride in the Grand Army as we do. Did someone ask why, I can only answer: Because they are loyal, patriotic American women, and we are proud of the bond of fraternity that unites us and makes us one in thought and action; and may they be instrumental in perpetuating the memory of our heroic dead, when we, their relatives, have passed over to the other side, from whence none ever return.

Ladies, I am sorry to have to admit that our city is not at its best, but I am happy to state that the disposition of its citizens is always at its best to make it pleasant for all who do us the honor to visit our mountain town.

Once more, ladies, we welcome you heartily to Aspen.

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America Anderson, of Denver, responded on behalf of the Convention as follows:

In response, I desire to say, I am sure that the voice and sentiments of this convention now assembled are responsive to every word when I say we are truly grateful and fully appreciate the cordial welcome the dear sisters of Winfield Scott Corps have extended to us.

We are glad to meet these sisters and accept their kind welcome, and also to strengthen the fraternal acquaintances commenced in the years past.

We come to this beautiful little city to review the work of the year and to transact such business as may be for the best interests of our beloved Order.

We regret the absence of so many of our delegates; while they cannot meet with us, we know their hearts are with us in our work.

Before we begin the sessions of this convention, I express the earnest wish that harmony may characterize its sessions; and may our legislation be wise, and for the best interests of those for whom we work.

Let us renew our pledge of devotion to the Grand Army, and to the noble work of caring for those who need our help. Most of these men are past the first half-century, and though still brave and true as in the days of war, yet they are on the decline and will soon be numbered with the silent majority on the other side.

These are the men into whose hands the Nation's honor was committed, and they preserved it; they laid their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor upon the altar of liberty to save this beloved country of ours, and now be it our duty and our pleasure to make their last days happy, for

"We need to be kind to the living,
To speak tender words while they're here;
For when they are dead what then may be said,
Will fall on a heedless ear."

In closing, I again thank Winfield Scott Corps for the interest you have manifested in our behalf and giving us such a cordial welcome.

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Department President then delivered her address:

President's Address.

Officers and Members of the Tenth Annual Convention—

When, at the Ninth Annual Convention in Pueblo, you honored me by electing me to the highest office in this Department, I promised to serve you to the best of my ability, and I am here to-day to report to you to what extent and to what purpose that promise has been kept. Mistakes have been made,—but they have been of the head, not of the heart,—for it is no exaggeration to say that the affairs of this Department have been my chief care the entire year. My first waking thought and my last at night has been given to you.

It gives me pleasure to greet you; to take by the hand the friends of years, and those with whom acquaintance has only been formed through correspondence. Let us keep in mind that we are here to conduct the business of this convention for the best interests of the Department in the most expeditious manner. Most of us have come a long distance and at considerable expense, and all feel that, in the present deplorable,

unsettled condition of our State, the disasters which have recently befallen many of our most prosperous towns, our "ain fireside" is the place where we most desire to be.

May your deliberations be conducted with dignity and guided by wisdom. May this convention go upon record characterized by strict attention to business to the last degree.

Confronted almost at the beginning of my administration with a financial panic unprecedented in the history of the country, I realized at once that the problem was not how to add new members and new Corps, but how to retain those already in the fold. Not a majority of our members being among the wealthy, I knew the sum for yearly dues, small as it is, would be difficult for many to raise. Though many letters to Post Commanders have been written, urging upon them the necessity of organizing Auxiliaries to their Posts, and many blank applications for Charters have been sent out, only one Corps has been added during my administration—that of General Shields, No. 10, at New Castle, Colorado. I had the pleasure of issuing a Charter to a Corps organized May 27, 1893, in Durango—Sedgwick, No. 3—but the credit of its organization belongs to my predecessor, Mary L. Carr. However, I am confident that timely words of encouragement have saved several from giving up in despair and surrendering their Charters. My hope is that in the years to come, if any are discouraged and think to themselves, "it is no use to continue; we may as well disband," that they may realize as I do, that they are of use, inasmuch as they encourage and cheer the members of the Post. If I could only repeat to you in detail the many conversations I have had with Post Commanders and members to the effect that "had it not been for our Corps we would have given up our Charter long ago—we could not hold together but for the help the women give us," you would see the benefit and necessity of even the "two or three" meeting together. My heart goes out to the small Corps and to each individual member of them, and I say, Salute! to the women who go from six to twelve miles, rain or shine, wind or snow, to attend Corps meetings. They are a rebuke to the larger Corps—their average attendance much higher in proportion to their membership.

George Crook Corps, No. 35, at The Siding, Wyoming, after a brave struggle to keep up, disbanded in regular form, sending in its Charter and supplies at the end of the second quarter of 1893.

Chester A. Arthur Corps, No. 33, of Sundance, Wyoming, has failed to report to Headquarters for over a year. Repeated letters have been written to the officers, also to the Commander of the Post, requesting the surrender of the Charter and supplies, but with no success. It is therefore dropped from the Roster.

The greatest loss in membership has been by suspension—181. Of that number only 56 have been reinstated, making the total loss by suspension 125. This matter of suspension has been one over which I have spent hours of thought. Believing that while a good deal of it is caused by carelessness, another cause is ignorance on the part of a great many members as to the need and disposition of the quarterly dues. Do all know that each Corps pays a per capita tax to the Department, and that each Department pays a per capita tax to the National, and if one member fails to pay her dues her Corps and Department are each crippled by exactly that amount? I therefore recommend, "That once a quarter each Corps President, under the head of the 'Good of the Order,' present a statement to the Corps explaining the needs and disposition of the money received from quarterly dues." This may seem a trivial matter to some, but I sincerely believe it may tend to lessen our number reported suspended. If any are unable, by reason of temporary or permanent misfortune, to pay their dues, pay for them, tendering it in the true spirit of Fraternity and Charity.

As ordered by the Ninth Convention, the Department Banner was immediately shipped to Chicago to be placed on exhibition in the Woman's Relief Corps space in the Woman's Building at the World's Fair. Some time having elapsed, and its receipt not being acknowledged, Mrs. Wickens was written to in regard to it, when it was learned that the Banner had never reached its destination. Inquiries at the express company's office in Chicago soon found it lying there undelivered. Feeling not a little worried as to its condition after being packed so long, fearing it might be spoiled, I took upon myself the authority to order it returned to Headquarters, and was most agreeably surprised to find it uninjured. It was then so near the time for the meeting of the National Convention that I decided to take it with me to the Convention, then take it to Chicago and place it on exhibition myself. This plan was carried out, and those who were there and those who have read the Journal of the Eleventh National Convention will remember the happy little speech with which the National President presented our Banner to the Convention as "the lost that was found," and the many expressions of admiration it called forth. Afterward, I am proud to say, I had the honor of being installed a member of the National Executive Board by Margaret R. Wickens in the W. R. C. space of the Woman's Building under my own Department Banner. At the close of the Fair the Banner was packed and shipped to me, and has been in my care since. It has been displayed at Headquarters on several official occasions, and has always received the admiration its beauty so well merits. To keep it well preserved is a considerable care to its custodian, and I would recommend that an effort be made to have it placed in

the G. A. R. room in the State House, and a suitable receptacle be purchased for it. A glass case, which would keep it from dust and smoke, at the same time allowing it to be seen, would be the most suitable.

Availing myself of the privilege granted by the Ninth Convention to change the ribbon of the Department badges, I purchased white satin ribbons, had them painted to match the Banner, using the solid silver bar, pin and brick. As they were Department property, each delegate taking one was required to give a receipt for it to the Department Treasurer, and they were all returned to her uninjured.

It is not my intention, nor have I time, to review the National Convention. I believe our delegation was one of the smallest in attendance, but the "faithful few" worked well together and carried off one of the honors. The remarkable dignity and tact displayed while presiding over the Convention by the National President will long be remembered as a lesson and inspiration to all who had the good fortune to be there.

Obedying the instructions of the Ninth Convention, I had the National and Department Journals on file at Headquarters bound for preservation. There are four volumes—three of National Journals and one of Department, in magazine style. There is no longer danger that these valuable books of the history and proceedings of the Order will be lost or destroyed.

A Charter Record has also been commenced, and it is hoped every member will contribute all the information she can toward the completion of this history of the Department. Mrs. Carr kindly consented to superintend its construction, and has found it an extremely arduous task. Her work has been deeply appreciated by myself, and will be, I know, by all of you, when you see the amount of work which has been done.

I planned, when assuming the duties of this office, to visit officially each Corps in the Department, but soon found it would be impossible, for many reasons. The amount of territory to be gone over and the great expense of railroad travel are obstacles which confront a Department President at the outset. I concluded to combine the Inspection with official visits as far as possible, and in this capacity visited nine Corps. A severe attack of "la grippe," leaving me with a serious heart trouble, put an end to my going to high altitudes, or far away from home. I have been most ably represented on the western slope of this Department by our Senior Vice President, Mrs. Searl, and am under many obligations to her for so cheerfully assuming and carefully discharging the many duties laid upon her. I have visited all but ten Corps, and have the most pleasant memories of the cordial receptions

given me. If in any way my visits were a benefit to the Corps, I am more than repaid for the time and money spent and the work involved. And right here I wish to recommend "That the Department President have the power of appointing a Transportation Committee of three, who shall relieve her of the necessity of applying for passes and special rates to the railroad companies."

I was very glad to avail myself of the opportunity offered to visit the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista. General Browning, then Secretary of the Home Board, invited me to accompany the Board on its visit to the Home in October, at the same time furnishing me with transportation as far as Durango, with the privilege of stopping off to inspect the Corps at Silver Cliff, en route, as well as those at Monte Vista and Durango. I was more than pleased with the Home, its surroundings and the manner in which it was kept. It seemed to me to embrace all the attractions which such a Home should possess, and to be indeed a haven of rest for the old, infirm and invalid veterans who are in need of its shelter and protection. Its isolated location is one draw-back to its receiving the attention it should from individual members of the W. R. C. and G. A. R. I am especially grateful for the generous donations which have been made by Corps through my appeal for help. One hundred and two dollars and fifty cents has been sent to the Treasurer of the Home Board; bedding and other supplies valued at \$153.00; reading matter, delicacies and articles of comfort too numerous to mention or set a value upon. The kind hearts and generous impulses which prompted this liberality, when money was scarce and hard to raise, and each Corps seemed to have all the relief work it could attend to at home, will, sooner or later, reap a rich reward. And now that the disability under which we have labored heretofore has been removed and we are "qualified electors," I hope we will soon have a representative member of our Order upon the Home Board, believing that a woman's influence will bring about many changes necessary and beneficial to the inmates and government of the Home.

An appeal was also made from National and Department Headquarters for aid for the Woman's Relief Corps Home at Madison, Ohio, which was liberally responded to by the Corps, and \$117.00 in money has been sent. This Home is one in which I am deeply interested. You all know its object, and how it is supported, and that to care for the Army Nurses is one of the "sacred objects for which we are banded together." Knowing the women who are concerned in its management as I do, I can assure you that not one dollar which goes into their hands is misappropriated, but made to go as far as one hundred cents possibly can.

An appeal from the National President was received at Headquar-

ters soon after the terrible devastation of the South by flood and cyclone for contributions from Department Relief funds for a National Relief fund, to be devoted to assisting Corps and members in that unfortunate section. As at that time very few calls had been made upon our Department Relief fund, I found that we could, without detriment to our Department finances, contribute twenty-five dollars to the National Relief fund, and, with the advice and consent of my Council, did so. In a letter to the National President early in the year I made the proud boast that "Colorado and Wyoming could take care of her own and help others less fortunate," and I thank you, my sisters, for helping me prove that my boast was not an idle one.

Our Department Relief Committee have attended faithfully to their duties. No worthy call has been slighted, and ninety-seven dollars has been dispensed by their hands. To them was given the privilege of attending upon the death-bed of Amanda Felch, an army nurse, who was once a member of our Order; of providing her with a trained nurse and many comforts, and of attending to the last sad details of her funeral.

I am glad to know that this is not the only Department which is dissatisfied with the present system of Inspection. A committee was provided for to be appointed by the National President, at the Eleventh National Convention, to decide upon some better plan of Inspection, to be presented to the Twelfth Convention. I was very glad to have an opportunity to express my opinion upon the subject, in correspondence with the chairman of that committee, Flo. Jamison Miller, of Illinois. The present plan does not cover the ground and do the good intended. There is no Corps President and Secretary who could not fill out the blanks used, the same as any other report, and the visit of the Department officer should be one of correction and instruction. In large Departments like ours the visit of either the Inspector or the Department President should be done away with, as the expense of sending two officers over the Department is too heavy a drain upon its treasury.

The Inspection this year has been as thorough as it could be under the circumstances, but I still feel, as I have every year, that it has been just so much time and money wasted. Every Corps but one was inspected by a Department officer, that one being Akron, and in my own district. Illness and inclement weather were my reasons for not reaching that Corps. The inspection was conducted by a past President of the Corps, Martha M. Aitkens, who has since joined the silent majority. Our Department Inspector was obliged to work with a divided heart. A severe affliction was visited upon her at the beginning of her term of office in the death of her mother, and the constant care of an aged, infirm father has been hers the entire year. Her work was taken up

bravely when I knew she preferred the seclusion of her own home, faithfully performed, and complimented in the highest terms by the National Inspector upon receiving her report.

Our Department Chaplain has had double work as her lot. Holding office over two Memorial Days, it has been her duty to consolidate reports from Corps Chaplains for both days. I am pleased to note from reports received that more and more attention is being paid to the sacred character of Memorial Day; that the public is becoming educated to the fact that this "funeral day" of the Grand Army of the Republic is not a day to be celebrated by picnics, baseball games and the like. Patriotism cannot be better taught to our children than to set apart this one day and devote it to the memory of the heroes who marched to the front, many of whom never returned. Let us assist the Posts on this day, literally and truly. Accord the veterans the post of honor, provide them with wreathes and flowers to lay upon their comrades' graves; show them in every way that the Nation is grateful for their services thirty years and more ago.

Ladies, I have not kept count of the letters I have written. Those of you who have written to me know that I have carefully and promptly replied to each communication. If you have not received an answer to your letter, you may rest assured that it never reached Headquarters. It has been an almost religious duty with me to let no mail go out upon an unanswered letter. The expense of postage has been increased by having the Treasurer away from the Secretary and President, and I sincerely hope, for the convenience of these officers, it will never be so again, to say nothing of the expense. Questions have I answered by the hundreds, and always to the best of my knowledge of Rules and Regulations. I have conscientiously tried "to do as I would be done by" in all my intercourse with Corps officers and members. I have tried to meet and treat all in the true spirit of that Fraternity and Charity which is the corner-stone of our grand Order. Mistakes have been made which might have been averted had I had the knowledge in the beginning that I now have. That knowledge could only be acquired by experience, and experience usually comes with hard labor.

And now, when I come to "acknowledgements," where can I begin—where end? It seems to me nothing but favors and kindnesses have been showered upon me, and to particularize would consume too much of your valuable time. I can remember only the pleasant things—the "red-letter days"—and express the hope that my successor in office may be spared the few unpleasant occurrences which I have had to meet.

To Mrs. Rosella Goodrich and Mrs. Josephine Mays, of Red Cliff,

my thanks are due and are hereby tendered for their kindness in instituting General Shields Corps, No. 10.

To General Browning my grateful thanks are tendered for securing transportation to Monte Vista and Durango, and the many courtesies extended.

To General Ady for his efforts in procuring special rates from the Passenger Agents' Association.

To the officers and members of the Order throughout the Department for their many kind words and acts of appreciation.

To the National officers for their uniform kindness and courtesy.

To the members of Nathaniel Lyon Corps—my home Corps—for the constant, untiring manner in which they have encouraged me and "upheld my hands," and their appreciation of the honor conferred in my election to the Presidency.

To the members of the Grand Army of the Republic whom I have met in the course of my official visits for their uniform courtesy and words of cheer.

To the Department officers and committees who have served under me, with whom my relations have been so harmonious and pleasant, I can only say, I thank you, and express the sincere hope that the friendships formed and cemented by this year's work will not be severed at its end. To my faithful Secretary and Treasurer much of this year's success is due. Early and late at their posts of duty, no service required but that was cheerfully performed—not a shadow of a cloud has marred our relations. Each can lay aside the duties of her office conscious that her obligation has been faithfully kept, her duty well done. Serving as they have, almost to the end of the fifth quarter, it seems to me no more than right that they should receive the salary for the current quarter. I therefore recommend "That the Secretary and Treasurer be paid salary for the second quarter of 1894.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

LAURA STURTEVANT DODGE,

Department President.

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The Chair announced the following appointments:

Conductors.—Margaret Sharp and Emma Gartley.

Guards.—Lorina Hart and Marnie Kaus.

Committee on Credentials—Isa E. Crosby, Janette L. Todd and Susie J. Searl.

Convention was then declared open for the transaction of business. Pass-word was taken up, and all present reported to be members of the Order.

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Report of Senior Vice President.

LEADVILLE, Colorado, June 12, 1894.

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

DEAR MADAM: I have the honor to submit the following report, as required in Rules and Regulations:

Feeling my services in the capacity of Senior Vice President have been little compared with those who have filled the office before, I have the honor to state that, when one year ago I accepted the office, I did so feeling I would do all in my power to assist our President to promote the best interests of our Order.

I have endeavored to hold myself in readiness so that, whenever called upon, I would be able to perform any duty required of me, but so little work has been assigned me, my report must necessarily be brief.

I was appointed Assistant Inspector and given the Corps of Buena Vista, Grand Junction, Gunnison, Aspen, Red Cliff and Leadville to inspect. I cheerfully accepted the appointment, and in all places was received with the utmost courtesy and respect, and all my instructions were kindly received.

I found most of the Corps in a prosperous condition and working harmoniously with their Posts, and quite interested in their work. It was a great disappointment to me in not being able to accompany our Department President and Delegates to the National Convention at Indianapolis, and to be deprived of the privilege of meeting so many of our loyal, patriotic women of the Woman's Relief Corps, but it was impossible for me to do so.

The struggle of the last year has been the hardest ever experienced. Never in the history of our Order have times been so hard or money so scarce. Never was it so hard for Corps to devise means of raising funds to help our needy ones. So I feel much praise is due the Corps of this Department for their efficient work during the past year. Knowing we have helped and cared for those in distress, I feel our work has been well done, and by making others happy, we are happy ourselves.

But while we are giving praise to the Corps, let us not forget our Department officers, and, especially, our Department President, Laura S. Dodge. Her work has been one of extra hardship. It has required her untiring energy and diligence to keep this Department in a prosperous condition in this most trying year of its existence, and I think I express the feeling of this Convention when I say her every act has been appreciated, and the friendship thus formed will be a sparkling gem in memory's book; and, as we are gathered here together, may our thoughts and actions prove that we are enlisted in earnest work in promoting the interest of our noble Order. And I congratulate the Colorado portion of the Department on having, during the past year, become on an equality with the Wyoming portion in the matter of woman suffrage, so that woman suffrage prevails throughout our whole Department.

The matter of forming closer relations between the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corps by admitting the former into our meetings, has been before the National Convention, and has heretofore met with little favor; but in view of the fact that Kansas and other Departments have recently instructed their delegates to again present this matter to our next National Convention, I would recommend that some action be taken in this matter by this Convention, believing that great benefit might be derived by personally interesting the members of the Grand Army in our work, especially in the smaller Corps.

I would also recommend that this Convention take some action relating to the adoption of some uniform and simple patriotic exercise and salute to the National Flag for the children in this Department, and the introduction of the same into our public schools.

Thanking our last Convention for the honor conferred on me, and hoping that the same courtesies will be extended to my successor that have been extended to me, and wishing this Convention harmony in all its deliberations, I most respectfully submit my report in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

SUSIE J. SEARL,
Department Senior Vice President.

Report of Junior Vice President.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT, JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT, }
DENVER, Colo., May 29, 1894. }

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

In submission to my superior officer, I am happy to comply with the request made to present to this our Tenth Annual Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, a report of the work under my jurisdiction. I hardly know what is expected of me, as my field of labor on the Department side the past year has not been as extensive as I wish it might have been, as I am never so happy as when hard at work to advance the interest of our noble order, but as our honored Department President has been early and late at the front, faithfully performing every duty, it was not my privilege to be assigned to any direct office work. One of my first pleasures was to entertain our Department Inspector while in Denver, and to accompany her on her official rounds of inspection of the five different Corps of Denver; and the second round of pleasure was to accompany, in March and April, our Department President in making her official visits to the Corps in Denver, all of which was very enjoyable to me, and I sincerely trust that the administration just closing will be remembered as among the best in the history of our grand organization. The year that has passed has been full of pleasant memories of the work that has been done. Having seen the organization bud, blossom and bear fruit, I am content, should the call come suddenly, to lie down by the wayside, using my burdens for a pillow, and waiting on death to kiss down my eye lids, still happy in the thought that our devoted organization is to play a prominent part in the world's sweetest charity.

And now, Mrs. President, having tried to do my duty in the work assigned to me, and thanking you all for the kindness and love shown to me, I respectfully submit this report.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

JENNIE MCGILL,
Department Junior Vice President.

Report of Secretary.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT SECRETARY, W. R. C., }
BOULDER, Colorado, June 7, 1894. }

LAURA S. DODGE, Department President—

In compliance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit to you, and to the members of the Tenth Annual Convention, the

following report of the membership and condition of the Order in this Department for the year just closing:

When you assumed the duties of your office there were in this Department 35 Corps, with a membership of 1268.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER OF 1893.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation	100	By Death	3
" Transfer	17	" Transfer	6
" Reinstatement from susp'n ..	17	" Honorable discharge	8
		" Suspension	30
Total	134	Total	47

Total membership June 30, 1893. 1355.

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER OF 1893.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation	41	By Death	2
" Transfer	8	" Transfer	7
" Reinstatement from susp'n ..	18	" Honorable discharge	28
		" Suspension	30
Total	62	Total	67

Total membership September 30, 1893. 1350.

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER OF 1893.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation	61	By Death	6
" Transfer	5	" Transfer	8
" Reinstatement from susp'n ..	11	" Honorable discharge	15
		" Suspension	82
Total	77	Total	111

Total membership December 31, 1893. 1315.

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER OF 1894.

GAIN.		LOSS.	
By Initiation	90	By Death	3
" Transfer	7	" Transfer	12
" Reinstatement from susp'n ..	10	" Honorable discharge	14
		" Suspension	39
Total	107	Total	68

Total membership March 30, 1894, 1354, showing an increase in membership for the year of 86.

RELIEF.

CASH.		OTHER THAN MONEY.	
Second quarter, 1893.....	\$ 354 84	Second quarter, 1893.....	\$ 444 95
Third " " " " " " " " " " " "	339 90	Third " " " " " " " " " " " "	397 30
Fourth " " " " " " " " " " " "	494 72	Fourth " " " " " " " " " " " "	1019 35
First " " " " " " " " " " " "	678 56	First " " " " " " " " " " " "	795 30
Total.....	\$1868 02	Total.....	\$2656 90

In the above amounts are included donations to the Soldiers' Home.

MEMBERS ASSISTED.		SOLDIERS AND FAMILIES ASSISTED.	
Second quarter, 1893.....	—	Second quarter, 1893.....	44
Third " " " " " " " " " " " "	14	Third " " " " " " " " " " " "	42
Fourth " " " " " " " " " " " "	21	Fourth " " " " " " " " " " " "	130
First " " " " " " " " " " " "	23	First " " " " " " " " " " " "	29
Total.....	58	Total.....	245

ROLL OF HONOR FOR CORPS HAVING CORRECT REPORTS

SECOND QUARTER OF 1893.

Farragut.....	No. 1	Kit Carson.....	No. 31
James A. Garfield.....	" 8	McPherson.....	" 32
J. F. Reynolds.....	" 9	Kilpatrick.....	" 34
Gunnison.....	" 12	George Crook.....	" 35
Veteran.....	" 14	Akron.....	" 36
U. S. Grant.....	" 15	Pike's Peak.....	" 39
Winfield Scott.....	" 19	M. M. Crocker.....	" 40
Custer.....	" 20	George Washington.....	" 42
W. T. Sherman.....	" 24	J. C. Fremont.....	" 45
Thornburg.....	" 25	Maj. Anderson.....	" 46
Nathaniel Lyon.....	" 27	Phil Kearney.....	" 47
Battle Mountain.....	" 29		

THIRD QUARTER OF 1893.

Farragut.....	No. 1	Battle Mountain.....	No. 29
Colorado Springs.....	" 4	Kit Carson.....	" 31
T. H. Dodd.....	" 5	McPherson.....	" 32
George G. Meade.....	" 6	Kilpatrick.....	" 34
E. V. Sumner.....	" 7	Akron.....	" 36
James A. Garfield.....	" 8	Pike's Peak.....	" 39
J. F. Reynolds.....	" 9	M. M. Crocker.....	" 40
Veteran.....	" 14	Phil Sheridan.....	" 41
U. S. Grant.....	" 15	George Washington.....	" 42
Custer.....	" 20	Joe Hooker.....	" 43
W. T. Sherman.....	" 24	Holyoke.....	" 44
Thornburg.....	" 25	J. C. Fremont.....	" 45
George H. Thomas.....	" 26	Maj. Anderson.....	" 46
Nathaniel Lyon.....	" 27	Phil Kearney.....	" 47

FOURTH QUARTER OF 1893.

Farragut	No. 1	George H. Thomas	No. 26
Colorado Springs	" 4	Nathaniel Lyon	" 27
George G. Meade	" 6	Battle Mountain	" 29
E. V. Sumner	" 7	Kit Carson	" 31
James A. Garfield	" 8	McPherson	" 32
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil Sheridan	" 41
Grand Junction	" 17	George Washington	" 42
Winfield Scott	" 19	Joe Hooker	" 43
Custer	" 20	Holyoke	" 44
W. T. Sherman	" 24	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Thornburg	" 25	Phil Kearney	" 47

FIRST QUARTER OF 1894.

Farragut	No. 1	Thornburg	No. 25
T. H. Dodd	" 5	George H. Thomas	" 26
George G. Meade	" 6	Nathaniel Lyon	" 27
E. V. Sumner	" 7	Battle Mountain	" 29
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kit Carson	" 31
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	McPherson	" 32
Gen. Shields	" 10	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil Sheridan	" 41
Grand Junction	" 17	George Washington	" 42
Winfield Scott	" 19	Joe Hooker	" 43
Custer	" 20	J. C. Fremont	" 45
W. T. Sherman	" 24	Maj. Anderson	" 46

ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut	No. 1	Battle Mountain	No. 29
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kit Carson	" 31
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	McPherson	" 32
Veteran	" 14	Kilpatrick	" 34
U. S. Grant	" 15	Pike's Peak	" 39
Custer	" 20	M. M. Crocker	" 40
W. T. Sherman	" 24	George Washington	" 42
Thornburg	" 25	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Nathaniel Lyon	" 27		

Roll of Honor for Corps having no suspended members for the second quarter of 1893:

Farragut	No. 1	Nathaniel Lyon	No. 27
Upton	" 2	Battle Mountain	" 29
Sedgwick	" 3	Kit Carson	" 31
George G. Meade	" 6	McPherson	" 32
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kilpatrick	" 34
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	George Crook	" 35

Gunnison	No. 12	Akron	No. 36
Veteran	" 14	Phil Sheridan	" 41
U. S. Grant	" 15	George Washington	" 42
Grand Junction	" 17	Joe Hooker	" 43
Winfield Scott	" 19	Holyoke	" 44
Custer	" 20	J. C. Fremont	" 45
W. T. Sherman	" 24	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Thornburg	" 25	Phil Kearney	" 47

THIRD QUARTER OF 1893.

Sedgwick	No. 3	Kit Carson	No. 31
George G. Meade	" 6	McPherson	" 32
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Akron	" 36
Veteran	" 14	Pike's Peak	" 39
U. S. Grant	" 15	George Washington	" 42
Custer	" 20	Joe Hooker	" 43
W. T. Sherman	" 24	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Thornburg	" 25	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Geo. H. Thomas	" 26	Phil Kearney	" 47
Nathaniel Lyon	" 27		

The Roll of Honor for Corps having no suspended members, not seeming to accomplish the object for which it was established, was discontinued at the close of the third quarter of 1893.

DISBANDED.

At the close of the second quarter of 1893, George Crook Corps, of Tie Siding, Wyoming, disbanded in regular form, sending in all supplies to Department Headquarters.

Chester A. Arthur Corps, No. 33, of Sundance, Wyoming, virtually disbanded last year, as no reports have been received this year.

CORPS ORGANIZED.

Sedgwick, No. 3, of Durango, was organized May 27, 1893, with 25 Charter members.

Gen. Shields, No. 10, of New Castle, was organized January 12, 1894, with 15 Charter members.

During the year ten Department General Orders, including one Memorial Day Order and two Special Orders, have been issued; also eleven Orders and circular letters from National Headquarters have been forwarded throughout the Department. A copy of the Journal of the Ninth Annual Convention, also copies of the Journals of the Tenth and Eleventh National Conventions, have been sent to all those entitled to receive the same.

In closing, I wish to thank you, Mrs. President, for your kindness

and assistance during the past year, as you have in many ways lightened the work of my office. I wish also to thank the other Department officers with whom I have been associated, and hope the year may prove a profitable one to all concerned.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

ISA E. CROSBY,
Department Secretary.

Treasurer's Report.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT TREASURER, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
DENVER, Colorado, June 10, 1894

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations, I herewith submit my financial statement for the year ending June 12, 1894.

JANETTE L. TODD, DEPARTMENT TREASURER, IN ACCOUNT WITH THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORP.

DR.

GENERAL FUND.

May 20, 1893, Cash on Hand.....	\$315 63
Received for per Capita Tax.....	798 30
Received for Sale of Supplies.....	280 30
Banner Fund.....	24 50
Memorial Day in the South.....	14 00
	————\$1432 74

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Per Capita Tax.....	\$107 48
National Treas. Supplies.....	210 49
Department Sec'y and Treas. Salary.....	100 00
Postage Department Officers.....	59 00
Express on Supplies.....	21 50
Printing General Orders and Stationery.....	55 25
Scales.....	1 50
Labels.....	2 00
Engrossing Charter.....	1 00
Dept. Badges, Painting Ribbon, and Fringe.....	11 16
Auditing Books.....	15 65
Printing Department Journals.....	156 00
Dept. Pres. Expenses to National Convention.....	60 00
Organizing Corps.....	9 40

DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C. 27

Inspection	\$102 10
Boxing and Exp. Banner to and from Chicago.....	9 35
Binding Journals.....	5 00
Department Officers Visiting Corps.....	28 60
Telegrams, Money Orders and Express.....	6 92
Department President Incidentals.....	14 35
Refunded for Suspended Members.....	1 20
Corps Stationery.....	6 00
Tranferred to Relief Fund.....	79 83
Dept. Pres., Sec'y and Treas. Exp. in Convention....	75 00
Dept. Charter Record.....	7 00
Incidentals for Convention.....	10 15
	————\$1155 93
Cash Balance on Hand.....	276 80
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	1432 73

RELIEF FUND.

Dr.	
Cash on Hand May 20, 1893.....	55 54
Refunded by Relief Committee of 1893.....	9 50
Transferred from General Fund.....	79 83
Disbanded Corps.....	14 65
Donation of Corps to Soldiers Home.....	112 50
Donations of Corps to W. R. C. Home.....	117 00
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W. R. C. Home.....	117 00
Soldiers Home.....	112 50
National Relief Fund.....	25 00
Department Relief Committee.....	97 00
	————\$ 351 50

SUPPLIES ON HAND.

54 Badges.....	21 60
1 Gold Recognition Pin.....	2 50
63 Ode Cards.....	95
43 Discharge Cards.....	86
34 Transfer Cards.....	68
19 Visiting Cards.....	38
7 Emblems.....	21
81 Rules and Regulations.....	5 67
1 Order File.....	60
3 Letter File.....	2 10
8 Corps Requisition Books.....	1 60

6 Yards Badge Ribbon.....	\$1 50
175 Arrearage Blanks.....	88
7 Red Books.....	4 55
2 Electrotypes.....	60
2 Blue Books.....	2 00
40 Rituals.....	10 00
7 Parlimentary Rules.....	5 25
27 Burial Service Books.....	2 70
12 Service Books.....	3 00
8 In. March.....	2 00
4 Opening Odes.....	40
1 Order Book.....	50
4 Jurnals.....	3 20
1 Cash Book.....	90
2 Roll Books.....	1 80
2 Ledgers.....	1 80
123 Applications for Membership.....	1 23
5 Corps Charters.....	1 25
	—\$ 80 51

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY.

Banners.....	275 00
Badges.....	24 00
Department Treas. Books.....	10 00
Trunk.....	3 00
Seal.....	7 50
Charter.....	10 00
80 Gift Seals.....	50
One-half Yard Charter Ribbon.....	25
Service Book.....	50
	—\$ 330 75

BLANKS.

5 Inspectors	
77 I. & I. Officers	
65 Relief Reports	
4 Dept. Treas. Bond	
28 Secretary's Quarterly Report	
40 Treasurer's " "	
6 Corps Treas. Bond	
14 Memorial Day Blanks	
12 Applications for Charter	

TOTAL ASSETS.

Balance General Fund	276 80
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Balance Relief Fund.....	37 52
Supplies on Hand.....	80 51
Department Property.....	330 75
	—————\$ 725 58

Owing to the financial condition of the country we have suffered. Our receipts have not fallen off, expenditures have been more, as no favors have been shown the Department in the past year.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

I would most respectfully recommend the action taken by the Ninth Annual Convention.

I. That Corps send to the Department Treasurer for stationary be rescinded, as it adds to her labors without profit to the Department.

II. That supplies sent by mail be registered, the Corps paying the registry fee, be also rescinded.

The past year has been a very busy one. It has been one of care and anxiety, and with many pleasures. I have tried to fulfill the duties promptly and conscientiously.

To the Department President and Associate Officers, I am grateful for the consideration and kindness you have shown me.

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department Treasurer.

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Report of Department Chaplain.

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN,
COLORADO AND WYOMING W. R. C.,
PUEBLO, Colo. }

ISA E. CROSEY, Department Secretary--

In compliance with Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit the following report, as Chaplain of this Department for the year just closing:

From all Corps where the weather would admit, unusual interest was manifested, more patriotism, and the day generally observed: flowers in profusion--Sons of Veterans taking taking part and the Ladies Aid Society taking great interest. Thirty-three (33) Corps report as taking part, representing a membership of one thousand, three hundred and forty-three (1343). Number of members taking part in Memorial Day services 742, assisted by 1474 children, 2229 Soldiers' graves, were decorated, amount of cash expended \$381.70.

Thirty Corps report memorials for the unknown dead.

Four Corps furnished refreshments for Posts.

FARRAGUT CORPS No. 1, Denver, Colo., Carrie G. Barnes, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 36, members taking part 36, Corps attended in a body Memorial Day services, a larger number attended the services Decoration Day than ever before, notwithstanding the unpleasantness of the day. Address by Dr. McIntyre at Trinity Methodist church.

UPTON CORPS No. 2, Pueblo, Colo., Carrie Brisack, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 46, number of members taking part 23, Corps attended in a body Memorial Day services, G. A. R. Memorial services were held at St. Patrick's church. The church was beautifully decorated with flags and flowers. Address by Comrade A. Royal at the cemetery—to keep in our hearts bright the memory of those who offered their lives for their flag and country. "My Country 'tis of Thee," sang by 20 little girls at the cemetery, Sons of Veterans taking part.

SEDGWICK CORPS No. 3, Durango, Colo., Mary West, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 26, members taking part in Memorial Day services 12, Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Nineteen soldiers' graves were decorated.

COLORADO SPRINGS CORPS No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colo., Elizabeth Farrar, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 59, members taking part in Memorial Day services 14, Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Sixty-five soldiers' graves were decorated.

T. H. DODD CORPS No. 5, Golden, Colo., J. D. Slater, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 57, members taking part in Memorial Day services 40, Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Fifteen soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial Day was observed with great respect to our dead heroes. Bouquets to the number of 100 were made by the W. R. C. and many graves were decorated.

GEORGE G. MEADE CORPS No. 6, Denver, Colo., H. E. Stasford, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 128, number of members taking part in Memorial Day exercises 36, members attending the Sabbath Memorial services 40, 390 soldiers' graves were decorated. All the schools furnished flowers Decoration Day. Ladies Aid Society and W. R. C., at their regular meeting the Friday preceeding Memorial Day, held Memorial services as has been their custom.

E. V. SUMNER CORPS No. 7, Silver Cliff, Colo., Julia A. Doyle, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 19, number taking part in Memorial Day services 11, Corps attended as a body the Sabbath Memorial services. Twenty soldiers' graves were decorated, children taking part.

JAMES A. GARFIELD CORPS No. 8, Leadville, Colo., Jerusha Dickey, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 60, number taking part in Memorial Day services 40, the Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Ninety-one soldiers' graves were decorated. There was a larger parade than any previous year. Owing to the inclemency of the weather Memorial services were held in the opera house in the evening. Refreshments were served to the G. A. R. and Sons of Veterans.

J. F. REYNOLDS CORPS No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., May H. Maynard, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 37, number taking part in Memorial Day services 15. Forty-one soldiers' graves were decorated. Considering the inclemency of the weather, the decoration and parade was the finest ever seen in that part of the country. A company of mounted infantry from the High School and 500 regular soldiers participated in the exercises of the day. All the civic societies and city officials were well represented. The soldiers' monuments were beautifully decorated with evergreens.

GUNNISON CORPS No. 12, Gunnison, Colo., Samantha Haymaker, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 32, number taking part in Memorial Day services 10, soldiers' graves decorated 16, 100 children taking part.

VETERAN CORPS No. 14, Denver, Colo., America Whist, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 135, number taking part in Memorial Day services 75, 344 soldiers' graves were decorated. The day was more generally observed than ever before. The ladies of the Corps manifested much zeal in preparing wreaths for the graves of our honored dead. Many thousand school children presented flowers to the veterans as they passed in review, and furnished most of the flowers for decoration purposes, thus proving that the lessons of patriotism inculcated by the officers and teachers are bearing fruits. A very large number of citizens witnessed the decoration ceremonies at the cemetery. The W. R. C. and Ladies Aid Society decorated the graves. The Sons of Veterans fired the salute.

U. S. GRANT CORPS No. 15, Greeley, Colo., Jennie H. Brockway, Chaplain, reports membership 75, number taking part in Memorial Day services 30, Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Twenty-six soldiers' graves were decorated and one member of the W. R. C.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. attended an able discourse given by Department Commander Myron W. Reed on May 27 (Memorial Sabbath). Soldiers' graves were decorated by Daughters of Veterans. An oration by A. C. Pallon at the cemetery, poem by Captain Wadlia, singing by Daughters and Sons of Veterans.

GRAND JUNCTION CORPS No. 17, Grand Junction, Colo., Jennie M. Sumner, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 24, number taking part in Memorial Day services 10, the Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Fourteen soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial services were held at the Christian church, conducted by J. R. Luens. Mr. Evert of Denver delivered an address to the Veterans in the evening of Decoration Day. The day was generally observed, 300 children taking part.

WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS No. 19, Aspen Colo., Mary Smith, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 40, number taking part in Memorial Day services 20, the Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Thirty-eight soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial Day was more generally observed, more interest shown, and a beautiful crescent of flowers was erected in memory of the unknown dead, 200 children taking part. The afternoon program at the Opera House was a most pleasing feature, oration by D. K. Stimson of Denver.

CUSTER CORPS No. 20, Laramie Wyo., Olivia Peale, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 46, number taking part in Memorial Day services 30, the Corps as a body attended Memorial services. Thirty-six soldiers' graves were decorated.

Memorial Day was anything but favorable for the exercises that had been prepared; notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather the people turned out generally. The ceremonies at the cemetery were brief. "Atlanta," a popular play, was presented by home talent at the Masonic Hall in the evening under the auspices of the W. R. C. Receipts of evening, \$85.

W. T. SHERMAN CORPS No. 24, Evans, Colo., Vinsa Ennes, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 19, number taking part in Memorial Day services 19, Corps in body attended Memorial services. Eight soldiers' graves were decorated. The public turned out in general, flowers in abundance, every soldier's grave a solid bed of flowers.

THORNBURG CORPS No. 25, Georgetown, Colo., Caroline Hart, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 19, number taking part in Memorial Day services 8, the Corps in a body attended Memorial Day services. Thirty soldiers' graves were decorated. The Memorial Day exercises were held in the Opera House, Hon. Liddell of Denver delivered the oration. Once more the graves of our dead heroes have been covered with flowers, tokens of love and remembrance of their noble and heroic deeds on the field of battle—they bore our gallant flag, the stripes and stars (emblems of liberty), through many a well fought battle—may we ever keep sacred in our hearts their memory. What more may the martyr say? Come up higher!

GEORGE H. THOMAS CORPS No. 26, Fort Collins, Colo., Lucy N. McIntyre gives the following report: Membership of Corps 38. Soldiers' graves decorated 43. The day was generally observed by the citizens. The day is more and more becoming the day of the whole year—more interest taken than usual. G. A. R., W. R. C., Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans all taking in part. In the evening the Sons of Veterans gave a concert, which was well attended. A fine essay was prepared for one of the city papers by Mrs. L. N. McIntyre in honor of Memorial Day and our heroes.

NATHANIEL LYON CORPS No. 27, Boulder, Colo., Lucy M. Norton, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 80. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 40. Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Fifty-five soldiers' graves were decorated.

BATTLE MOUNTAIN CORPS No. 29, Red Cliff, Colo., Hannah B. Nichols, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 24. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 10. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Eleven soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial services were held at the church, conducted by the Post. After the address the Post, Corps, citizens and children marched to the cemetery. The children decorating the graves. A vacant chair was draped with a flag and crape. Wreaths and flowers were prepared for the unknown dead.

KIT CARSON CORPS No. 31, Lamar Colo., Carrie M. Billingslen, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 17. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 12. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Four soldiers' graves were decorated. Memorial services were held at the M. E. church. The church was beautifully decorated by the W. R. C. with flags and flowers. The services were conducted at the cemetery by the Post.

McPHERSON CORPS No. 32, Longmont, Colo., Mary H. Gates, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 52. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 45. Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Twenty-one soldiers' graves were decorated. A very interesting program was carried out by the children, under the auspices of the W. R. C. The services were held in the Opera House and were very largely attended by the citizens. A very large procession visited the cemetery, the graves were decorated by the children, led by the members of the Post. Flowers in profusion were heaped upon the lonely beds of our country's defenders.

KILPATRICK CORPS No. 34, La Junta, Colo., Catherine Jones, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 15. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 10. Corps as a body attended

the Sabbath Memorial services. Fifteen soldiers' graves were decorated. The children took part. Services were conducted by the Post. The Sons of Veterans sang "The Red, White and Blue."

AKRON CORPS No. 36, Akron, Colo., Rachel Tague, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 17. Number taking part in Memorial Day exercises 16. Corps as a body attend Sabbath Memorial services. One soldier's grave was decorated. The Post and Corps met at Grand Army Hall and marched to the church in a body, where appropriate exercises were held, and then marched to the cemetery and decorated the grave according to G. A. R. custom.

PIKES PEAK CORPS No. 39, Manitou, Colo., Sarah Davis, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 29. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 20. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Five soldiers' graves were decorated. The day was generally observed. Forty children taking part.

M. M. CROCKER CORPS No. 40, Denver, Colo., Carrie E. Parsons, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 65. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 50. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Seventy soldiers' graves were decorated. One hundred children taking part. M. M. CROCKER CORPS, in response to request from National Headquarters, gave \$3.75 to the Phil Kearney Post, Virginia.

PHIL SHERIDAN CORPS No. 41, Buena Vista, Colo., Bessie Holt, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 33. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 20. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial. Twenty-one soldiers' graves were decorated. One hundred and fifty children taking part. Greater interest was manifested by the public of Buena Vista than for many years. Five of the old soldiers have been laid to rest in the past year.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS No. 42, Denver, Colo., Mary Neeley, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 22. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 14. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Three hundred and fifty soldiers' graves were decorated. Sabbath Memorial services were conducted by Rev. Dr. McIntire. On Tuesday evening Memorial services were again observed. There was an address by Rev. Father Malone. The soldiers' graves were decorated by the Corps Presidents and Ladies Aid Society. The decorations were beautiful and appropriate.

JOE HOOKER CORPS No. 43, Monte Vista, Colo., Lydia Fulton, Chaplain, gives the following report: Membership of Corps 25. Num-

ber taking part in Memorial Day services 15. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Fifteen soldiers' graves were decorated. Children taking part.

HOLYOKE CORPS No. 44, Holyoke, Colo., Lydia Jeffery, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 30. Number taking part in Memorial services 25. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Two soldiers' graves were decorated. Two graves of soldiers' wives were decorated, and six children's graves soldiers' families. Memorial services were held in the M. E. church, conducted by Rev. Collett. Memorial Day was fittingly observed.

JOHN C. FREMONT CORPS No. 45, Littleton, Colo., Lizzie Johnston, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 17. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 15. Corps as a body attended Sabbath Memorial services. Eight soldiers' graves were decorated. One hundred and fifty children taking part in services.

MAJOR ANDERSON CORPS No. 46, Harris, Colo., M. J. Hamilton, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 15. Number taking part in Memorial Day service. Soldiers' graves were decorated. The day was generally observed by the citizens, all the school children taking part.

PHIL KEARNEY CORPS No. 47, Platteville, Colo., E. C. Celley, Chaplain, reports membership of Corps 12. Number taking part in Memorial Day services 10. Corps as a body attended the Sabbath Memorial services. Five soldiers' graves were decorated.

The names of deceased members that have been forwarded to me by the several Corps, are as follows:

Mrs. Mary A. Rowe, June 1, 1893; Mrs. Francis M. May, June 20, 1893; Mrs. Martha E. Luther, Dec. 19, 1893. Members of U. S. Grant Corps No. 15, Greeley, Colo.

Mrs. Theresa Methfessol, Aug. 19, 1893. A member of Custer Corps No. 20, Larimie, Wyoming.

Etta M. Hathaway, Nov. 16, 1893; Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, Colo.

Emma Kramer, Nov. 15, 1893; M. M. Crocker Corps No. 4, Denver, Colo.

Mrs. Emma Toff, Jan. 19, 1894; James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville, Colo.

Mrs. Martha M. Aitkins, March 13, 1894; Akron No. 36, Akron, Colo.

Mrs. Anna Brown, April 6, 1894; Major Anderson No. 46, Harris, Colo.

Amanda F. Felch, (army nurse,) died Dec. 28, 1893. A member of the Greenwood Corps, Canon City, at the time it disbanded.

The last services that we can render to these, our departed members, has been done, and to all who die while engaged in works of Mercy, may the Lord grant everlasting rest, and may perpetual light shine upon them.

And now, in conclusion, to all with whom I have been in any way associated, I tender my grateful thanks. To the Department President especially do I feel grateful for her many kind words and the encouragement she has given me.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

CARRIE V. DONALDSON,
Department Chaplain.

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Memorial Day Report of Department Chaplain, W. R. C., Dept. of Colo. and Wyo., 1893.

NAME OF CORPS	LOCATION.	No.	Membership of Corps	No. of Members Taking Part in Memorial Day	Did Corps as a body attend Sabath Memorial Services?	How many Soldiers flag and decorated	How many Min-bers' graves were marked with our	How many children look part?	What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for Post?	Were Flowers Provided Post by Purchase or Contribution?	Was a Memorial prepared to "Unknown Dead"	General Remarks by Corps Chaplain
Farragut.....	Denver.....	1	36	36	Yes	375	1	18	5 65	No	Purchase	Yes	Address by Dr. McIntyre:
Upton.....	ueblo.....	2	48	23	"	65		3	15 00	"	Both	"	Address by Comrade A. Royal.
Selegwick.....	Durango.....	3	28	12	"	19				"	Contribution	"	The day was fittingly observed.
Colorado Springs.....	Colorado Springs.....	4	60	14	No	65		60		Yes	"	"	Memorial services by members.
T. H. Dodd.....	Golden.....	5	67	48	Yes	15		62	4 00	No	Both	No	Larger attendance than ever before.
George G. Meade.....	Denver.....	6	138	36	Yes	390		62	3 45	No	Purchase	No	Proceedings of the day interesting.
E. V. Sumner.....	Silver Cliff.....	7	10	11	Yes	30			5 00	Yes	"	Yes	The day was fittingly observed.
James A. Garfield.....	Leadville.....	8	69	40	No	41			31 25	No	"	No	Soldiers graves decorated by D. of V.
J. F. Reynolds.....	Leadville.....	9	57	40	"	16				"	Contribution	"	The day was generally observed.
Gunnison.....	Gunnison.....	10	32	70	"	14		100	12 60	"	Contribution	"	Services well attended.
Veteran.....	Denver.....	11	152	30	Yes	36		30	10 75	"	Purchase	"	The day was generally observed.
U. S. Grant.....	Frederick.....	12	76	10	"	34		290	10 75	"	Contribution	"	Appropriate services.
Grand Junction.....	Grand Junction.....	13	24	20	"	38		30	67 60	"	Purchase	"	Services well attended.
Winfield Scott.....	Aspen.....	14	46	19	"	14		24	1 00	Yes	Contribution	"	The day was generally observed.
Custer.....	Laramie, Wyo.....	15	19	8	"	8		18	60 00	Yes	Contribution	"	Services well attended.
W. T. Sherman.....	Levens.....	16	19	8	"	30				"	Purchase	"	The day was generally observed.
Geo. H. Thomas.....	Georgetown.....	17	25	20	"	13				"	Contribution	"	Memorial services impressive.
Nathaniel Lyon.....	Fort Collins.....	18	38	40	"	43				"	Contribution	"	Services at M. E. Church.
Battle Mountain.....	Boulder.....	19	20	10	"	65		40	10 00	"	Both	No	Parade scoutmen shown.
Kitt Carson.....	Red Cliff.....	20	24	12	"	11		44	10 00	"	Contribution	"	Services by Post.
McPherson.....	Lamart.....	21	62	15	"	27		45	5 00	"	"	"	Interesting services at M. E. Church
Kilpatrick.....	Lamont.....	22	15	10	"	16		15		"	"	"	Large procession.
Akron.....	La Junta.....	23	16	13	"	1		100	60 00	"	"	"	Great interest manifested.
Pike's Peak.....	Manitou.....	24	13	60	"	1		100	1 75	"	Both	"	Proceedings were interesting.
M. M. Crocker.....	Denver.....	25	65	20	"	70		100		"	Contribution	"	Parade scoutmen shown.
Phil Sheridan.....	Idemna Vista.....	26	40	14	"	21		150		"	Purchase	"	
Geo. Washington.....	Denver.....	27	33	14	"	350		62	2 00	"	Contribution	"	
Joe Hooker.....	Monte Vista.....	28	25	15	"	16		150	4 85	"	Purchase	"	
Holyoke.....	Holyoke.....	29	15	9	"	8		12		"	"	"	
John G. Fremont.....	Littleton.....	30	17	10	"	4				"	"	"	
Mal Anderson.....	Harris.....	31	12	10	"	5				"	"	"	
Phil Kearney.....	Pitcheville.....	32	13	7	"	6				"	"	"	
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		34	13	7	"	6				"	"	"	
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		99	13	7	"	6				"	"	"	
		100	13	7	"	6				"	"	"	

Report of Department Inspector

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR,
COLORADO AND WYOMING, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
CHEYENNE, Wyoming, June 7, 1894. }

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

DEAR MADAM: Another year, with its personal joys and sorrows, its victories and defeats, has passed away, and once more we are permitted to meet together for the purpose of transacting the business of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. I have the honor to present the following report of the Inspection of the Corps in this Department for the year ending September 30, 1893:

When our esteemed and well-beloved President appointed me her Inspector, I accepted the honor conferred with the full determination of giving to its duties all necessary time and the best service of which I was capable. But a succession of emergencies seriously interfered with this purpose. Our noble President came to the rescue with the tenderest sympathy and words of encouragement and cheer, and most generously insisted upon relieving me of the heaviest part of the work. As Mrs. Carr, our Past Department President, and her Inspector, had divided the work, so as to curtail expenses, Mrs. Dodge, feeling it an excellent plan, appointed Mrs. Searl, our Department Senior Vice President, as Assistant Inspector with herself; and to both I am deeply indebted for advice, encouragement and great assistance. It affords me much pleasure to say that thorough Inspection of every Corps in the Department, with one exception, has been made—that of Chester A. Arthur, of Sundance, Wyo. It, too, would have been, only for the reason that reports from it have not been received for over a year. Letters written officially and unofficially remain unanswered, hence it was deemed unwise to take the long, tedious journey. In the majority of the Corps much interest was shown.

I feel that as we are aiming for the one object and working for the best interests of our Order, it is meet that in a few words I should, for the benefit of the Convention, speak of the work of each individual Corps.

The Corps visited by our Department President were Colorado Springs, No. 4; Sedgwick, No. 3, of Durango; Upton, No. 2, of Pueblo; E. V. Sumner, No. 7, of Silver Cliff; J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, of Cheyenne, Wyo.; Kit Carson, No. 31, of Lamar; Kilpatrick, No. 34, of La Junta; Pike's Peak, No. 39, of Manitou; and Joe Hooker, No. 43, of Monte Vista.

The Corps at Pueblo, No. 2, was inspected upon a regular meeting day; close attention was paid to the instructions; a pleasant greeting was given the Inspector. This corps has a membership of 45, with an average attendance of 16. The amount of relief extended last year must be gratifying to its members.

Sedgwick, No. 3, had a report for only six months at the time of inspection. The Inspector was much pleased with the manner in which the work was conducted. They have 27 members in good standing, and are faithfully working for the advancement of both Corps and Post. May they not grow weary in well-doing.

Colorado Springs No. 4 was visited upon a regular Corps day. The Corps has a membership of 52; average attendance, 19. The amount of relief work done during the year show that the members realize the meaning of our obligation, and it can be said, "Well done, good and faithful servants."

E. V. Sumner No. 7, situated, as this Corps is, so far away, and the difficulties under which they are obliged to work, deserve great encouragement for their faithful and heroic efforts. They have only 16 members, yet an average attendance of 8. May they not become discouraged, is the earnest wish of the Department officers.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, of Cheyenne—it is embarrassing to speak of one's own Corps—has 31 members in good standing; average attendance 13. This Corps needs drill in floor work and closer attention to details.

Kit Carson No. 31 ranks among the best Corps in the Department. This Corps has only 23 in good standing; average attendance of 10. They have indeed been a "helpmate" to the Post of which they are auxiliary.

Kilpatrick No. 34 has 16 members in good standing and an average attendance of 7. A special meeting was called for inspection and quite well responded to. The weather was very miserable. A great deal of relief work is to be done at La Junta, and no calls are ever passed by.

Joe Hooker No. 43—This Corps, being situated so near the Soldiers' Home, have a double duty to perform. They are earnest and energetic, working for the good of the Order, as well as the needy and dependent ones among our veterans. Number of members in good standing, 24; average attendance, 15. The Department President was cordially received in all places where she inspected the above-named Corps.

Mrs. Searl, Senior Vice President, visited six Corps, as follows:

Winfield Scott, No. 19, of Aspen.—She found this Corps doing finely—after a very hard struggle—and was courteously received. Number in

good standing, 36; average attendance, 13. This Corps expended over \$80.00 in relief during the year, which shows they have "willing hands and loving hearts."

Gunnison has a membership of 32; average attendance, 10. The books of this Corps are neatly kept. Interest is shown in the work, and it is well performed by all.

James A. Garfield.—As this Corps has always been one of the very best in the Department, words are idle. It has a membership of 63 and an average attendance of 21. The relief extended amounts to very nearly \$90.00.

Grand Junction held no meeting. Number in good standing, 19; average attendance, 8.

Battle Mountain has a membership of 25 and an average attendance of 10. This Corps is in good order, understanding their work, and enthusiastic.

Phil Sheridan held no meeting for inspection, but the Inspector examined the books of the Treasurer and Secretary, and found them nicely kept. Number in good standing, 27; average attendance, 7.

To both our Department President and Senior Vice President I am grateful for the kindness in inspecting these Corps.

The following Corps I visited, and in most instances was kindly and pleasantly received:

Farragut, No. 1, of Denver, has a membership of 36; average attendance, 18. The members of this Corps appear deeply interested in the work, and are working harmoniously for the uplifting of the destitute and needy.

T. H. Dodd.—Number in good standing, 56; average attendance, 15. This is one of the oldest Corps in the Department. The President is serving a term of five years. Her members surely show their appreciation by her re-election each year.

George G. Meade Corps, of Denver, has a membership of 133; average attendance, 35. The amount of relief work done by this Corps speaks in louder words for the good of the Order than the Inspector possible could. The work of the Ritual is memorized, and all present were earnest, willing workers.

Veteran Corps, No. 14, of Denver.—Too much praise cannot be given this Corps for their floor work. A very large number was present. The work of the Ritual was thoroughly memorized and well performed. They have on their rolls 139 names, with an average attendance of 33. In

all the Denver Corps a great deal of relief work is extended. In a city of that size, with five staunch and tried Corps, how could it be otherwise?

U. S. Grant, of Greeley.—If the members present in this Convention will pardon my seeming partiality for this Corps, I would like to say: If ever it is in your power to visit Greeley, fail not to attend a meeting of U. S. Grant, No. 15. To say you will be royally received but feebly tells the story. The reception tendered the Inspector will ever be a pleasing recollection. One can readily see in the faces of the members of U. S. Grant that their obligation was not lightly taken. 'Tis ever thus they receive sister members. They have a membership of 75, and an average attendance of 22.

Custer Corps, of Laramie, Wyoming, are so far advanced in the work and so greatly respected in the community that when an entertainment is given by the citizens they are willing to pay a handsome sum to Custer for the privilege of using the name, knowing that if advertised under the auspices of Custer, W. R. C., the proceeds will be greatly increased. Number in good standing, 45; average attendance, 13.

W. T. Sherman.—While this Corps is small in numbers, the members are most zealous in good works. Too much praise cannot be given this little band. They have only 18 members, yet the average attendance is 9.

Thornburg.—No meeting held, but a number of ladies escorted the Inspector to the train. I found this Corps discouraged, but after examining the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, and seeing they had much to encourage them not to become weary, they promised to try again. Their officers are most faithful and deserve much credit. Number in good standing, 15; average attendance, 7.

Geo. H. Thomas.—The majority of the ladies present were heartily interested in the work. I am sorry to say that the Treasurer, although knowing her books at least were to be there, left for a pleasure trip. The books of the Secretary were neatly kept. Number in good standing, 28; average attendance, 13.

And now comes Nathaniel Lyon, of Boulder—

With what pleasure one looks upon a multitude of faces, as tired, homesick, and disheartened, the depot is reached of an abiding place, it may be but a day. Such was my pleasure Oct. 21, 1893. Upon reaching the beautiful little city of Boulder, wherein resides our Department President, I found about three dozen ladies, wearing the insignia of our order, there to welcome me. And it was a welcome indeed! Nathaniel Lyons is recognized as the best drilled one in the Department. Those

who had the pleasure of attending the Convention at Boulder, no doubt remember the excellent manner in which the ritual was exemplified. The Corps has a membership of 82. Average attendance 25. The relief expended during the year amounted to \$294.55

McPherson of Longmont, too, deserves high honor for the interest manifested. There it can most truly be said lives a noble woman; to McPherson belongs Mary L. Carr. We all know how zealously she labored for the good of the Order. The inspection of this Corps was a rare treat. Not many were present, yet what was lacking in quantity was amply provided for in the deep interest shown. This Corps has an average of 17, with a membership of 51. The relief amounted to \$31.65, besides turning over to their Post \$25.

Akron was inspected by Mrs. Aitkins, a Past Corps President, whose soul is in the work, and she says: "Our Corps is sparsely attended, yet the few that do attend are determined not to let the organization go under." Number in good standing 10. Average attendance six.

M. M. Crocker of North Denver is composed of splendid material. They work for the advancement of both organizations, and by the full attendance upon the day of inspection, made a gratifying showing. They have 63 in good standing, an average attendance of 28. Expended in relief during the year \$98. Turned over to the Post \$85.

Geo. Washington of South Denver has a membership of 31. Average attendance 15. Amount expended for relief \$29.70. Turned over to the Post \$31.80. Thus fulfilling the proverb: "It is more blessed to give than to receive." By the active interest of those present upon the day of inspection 'twas plainly shown the pleasure they have in assisting the Comrades of their Post in acts of charity.

Holyoke Corps is comparatively a new one. It deserves special mention. To the President perhaps belongs the credit for keeping this Corps alive. The Commander of the Post said: "Had it not been for the Corps we would have disbanded long ago, but through their untiring efforts we have been enabled to exist." The majority of members live in the country, yet upon the meeting of the W. R. C. they have an average attendance of 15, from members in good standing of 30. Their relief during the year reached the sum of \$64.25. Turned over to the Post \$19.85.

John C. Fremont of Littleton has an average attendance of 10, with number in good standing of 25. This Corps received the corrections and instructions in a pleasant manner, the President asking to have them given. They have very little relief work to do.

To Major Anderson No. 46 of Harris it is only just to say they are

most enthusiastic. It was in existence a little over a year when inspected; yet had held several entertainments for the replenishing of their treasury. Scattered throughout the country as they are, with only a membership of 17, have an attendance of 8.

Phil Kearney of Platteville was organized May 3, 1893. This Corps needed instruction badly. The majority are deeply interested in the work, and were most willing to receive instruction. The President of Meade Corps assisted greatly in the work and to her am I grateful. Some of these ladies ride 10 and 12 miles to attend the meeting, thereby showing their willingness. Number in good standing 14. Average attendance 9.

I have endeavored to the best of my ability to give a just and fair summary of each Corps, and trust it will be accepted as such. In many instances the Inspector is looked upon as a perfect "bug-bear," and as though her visits were intended to criticise and find fault. Not so, however. The Inspector is sent for the purpose of faithfully examining the work, and it is her duty to give the reports in a true manner, which I claim has been done. It is my earnest wish and sincere desire that, when the hour of separation comes, we may each and every one carry with us to our homes the most pleasant recollections of this meeting and of the lovely little city so snugly nestled here in these grand and lofty mountain peaks. It is a privilege that we are permitted to meet in this eagle nest above the world's height.

The Treasurer notifies members when in arrears in all Corps except two.

Amount charged for yearly dues in 19 Corps \$1.00.

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Books of Secretary and Treasurer Audited in 26 Corps.

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Charter in hall at every meeting in all but 1 Corps.

Copies of quarterly relief reports sent to Post in 30 Corps.

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Reports of last Department Convention proceedings given in writing by President or Delegate in 12 Corps.

Reports of Department Convention given verbally in 4 Corps.

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Durango Corps (Sedgwick No. 3) not organized.

Number of Corps on September, 1892.....	34
“ “ “ disbanded.....	4
“ “ “ in good standing September, 1893.....	33
Total membership of Corps.....	1265
Gain in membership since last inspection.....	77
Total number of meetings.....	947
Average attendance of officers.....	6½
“ “ “ “ and members.....	14½
Ritual complete in every Corps but.....	1

Amount charged for initiation without badge in all Corps but one \$1.00. (Custer Corps No. 20 of Laramie City, Wyoming charging \$1.50.)

Amount in Relief Fund.....	\$ 608 95
Cash expended from Relief Fund.....	1877 61
Relief other than money.....	1988 65
Turned over to Post.....	288 60
Total expended in relief.....	4154 86

To Veteran No. 14, of Denver, belongs the honor of largest membership, 139.

To Meade No. 6, of Denver, belongs the honor of largest amount in relief cash and otherwise, it being \$493.49.

To Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, of Boulder, the honor of expending the greatest amount of money for relief, \$294.55.

In a number of Corps we find the Finance Committee has not carefully examined the books of Secretaries and Treasurers. In some instances the Secretary's books show the signature of the Finance Committee without claiming they have been examined. Again, the Treasurer's are given in the same manner. It is, however, a gratifying result to find that the officers and members are most willing to be instructed in their several duties. I fully concur and heartily agree with my predecessor (Mrs. Purrier): "The Corps Presidents should examine the books frequently and become familiar with the work of the Secretary and Treasurer, and the manner of filling out reports."

Our Order's welfare is, or should be, our first concern, and who promotes that best, proves her duly qualified for the place she fills, either in a Corps or the Department. Permit me to say, I desire to impress upon the members of this Convention here assembled, the great importance to be attached to the work of Inspection and Annual Reports of the same. The principal advantage to be derived from our system of inspection lies in the interest excited, and the stimulous afforded, by the visits

of inspecting officers, and in the emulation among neighboring Corps. This work must be done chiefly by the Department officers. The questions submitted (in blank form for inspection) are well calculated to bring out the true condition of individual Corps. The Inspector should be an INSTRUCTOR and be able to give needed instructions to new or remote Corps.

We found several small Corps faithfully struggling, working hard for the advancement and best interests of the Post to which they are auxiliary. They need encouragement to be of good cheer, and thus help them to more clearly understand the Ritual, and relieve them of entangling embarrassment; then their work can be done in a more perfect manner. I would, therefore, suggest that a recommendation be sent to the National Convention, asking that an Instructor be appointed to visit the different Corps, especially new ones, and thoroughly instruct them in the floor work of balloting and initiation. The inspection each year shows an added increase of interest for the work. May we thus strengthen the bonds of "Sisterhood and love." May we lovingly and unselfishly endeavor to assist and promote the best interest of the well-beloved order to which we, as an Auxiliary, have the privilege of being members. To these "boys in blue" have we a debt of gratitude and to them we owe it that wherever we can aid or assist in the preservation of their Order, it be our duty and pleasure to so do.

The work of the Ritual is memorized wholly in seven Corps, partly so in eight, and the remaining 18 not at all. As a rule, the work of the Secretary and Treasurer is performed in an excellent manner. A few, I regret to say, by their books show that no interest is taken whatever.

The cost of inspection amounts to the sum of \$102.10.

The question may be asked by those who follow us: "Have they done their work well?" "Reasonably so," probably will be the judgment.

Let our successors do better.

To the officers and members of the Corps visited by me, I wish to extend grateful thanks for courtesies shown, the remembrance of which will be most pleasant. To our worthy Senior Vice, Mrs. Searl, I can but say while life lasts, her cheerful consent to assist in the work, shall be as a bright link in memory's chain. Would time permit, should like to mention each Corps that extended so pleasantly many kind greetings:

And now, Mrs. President, I desire to tender my sincere thanks to you for the many courtesies and valued aid I received during the year. I feel that words are inadequate to express my gratitude. I appreciate the kind expressions of sympathy when severe bereavement came upon

me. I hope that the official relations which have been so pleasant and, to me, instructive may be continued in a personal friendship. My official relations with all with whom I came in contact have been agreeable. If, therefore, in the discharge of my duties, I have proven myself worthy of the confidence you have placed in me, by the appointment to this office, and if I have succeeded in gaining the respect and esteem of my fellow co-workers, I shall indeed feel well rewarded. And so respectfully submit this report in F., C. and L.

SADIE M. FISHER,
Department Inspector.

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Report of I. and I. Officer.

OFFICE OF I. AND I. OFFICER,
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C.,
DENVER, Colo., June 7, 1894. }

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

MADAM:—I herewith submit my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer, together with the consolidated reports from Assistant I. and I. Officers, for the years 1893 and 1894.

Farragut No. 1, Denver, January 6; President, Catherine C. Kennedy; Installing Officer, Jennie McGill, Department Junior Vice President; report a joint installation held with the Post; a large crowd present and a general good time.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, January 6; President, Ella Weppler; Installing Officer, Delos L. Holden, Past Department Commander, reports a joint installation held with the Post and Ben Butler Post No. 22. After which a campfire was held and greatly enjoyed by all.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango, January 11; President, Mary E. West; Installing Officer, Katherine Holt Kelley, reports the Corps in a much better condition than they had hoped. All new officers seemed filled with the right spirit and I trust the coming year will yield good results.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 2; President, Marion Sutton; Installing Officer, Ella L. C. Dwinell, reports this Corps in good working order, with a good Corps of officers, and most harmonious in all its works. An oyster supper was served by the Post, and a general good time prevailed.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, January 11; President, Charlotte M. Coe; Installing Officer, George K. Kimball, reports the installation held in connection with the Post, at which the Sons of Veterans and others took

part. After services a campfire was had, and a joyous and fraternal occasion was the result.

Geo. G. Meade No. 6, Denver, January 4; President, Lyda E. Dunagan; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron, reports a joint installation with Post. After services a very enjoyable and social hour was spent.

E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff, January 3; President, Myra B. Lawrence; Installing Officer, C. G. Mathews.

James A. Carfield No. 8, Leadville, January 4; President, Nellie S. Harker; Installing Officer, A. V. Bohm, Past Department Commander, reports joint installation of Post and Relief Corps; and of course we had a happy, social, old fashioned good time. "Who's got the Button?" and "Pussy Wants a Corner," are the kind of plays which touches the heart of the pure and simple minded.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne, January 5; President, Theresa A. Jenkins; Installing Officer, Sadie M. Fisher, Department Inspector, reports the installation private, and passing off nicely. The newly elected officers seem determined to succeed, and are planning for a prosperous year.

Gunnison No. 12, January 3; President, Maria La Count; Installing Officer, Eugenia Olney, reports installation private in G. A. R. Hall. An unusually good attendance and increasing interest shown in all Corps work.

Veteran No. 14, Denver, January 4; President, Persis Arnold; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron. A joint installation was held with the Post. A feeling of sorrow for the new officers and joy for the outgoing ones seemed to prevail. Promise for a successful year was assured.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, January 4; President, Kate E. Hanna; Installing Officer, Sarah A. Hogarty, says the installation took place in the evening at Odd Fellows Hall, and through an invitation from the Post, a joint installation was held. It is with great pleasure I announce that the new administration promises to be what the proceeding one was, an exceptionally able one.

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction, January 12; President, Adelia Ditman; Installing Officer, B. F. Powelson, reports this Corps in excellent spirits and condition, and had a pleasant installation. After the ceremonies of the Post and Corps, all repaired to a hall and enjoyed an old time camp fire.

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen, January 6; President, Alice Hardesty; Installing Officer, Emma L. Gartley, say the installation took place at a

regular meeting, everything passing off quietly and harmoniously. The Corps is doing a good deal of relief work, and has a membership of 43 in good standing.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 8; President, Anna B. Holliday; Installing Officer, Lida E. Fitch, reports an admirable set of offices to preside over a harmonious and working Corps.

W. T. Sherman, No. 24, Evans, January 2d; President, Maggie I. McCain; Installing Officer, Geo. N. Young, reports installation private and that it is a pleasure to report this Corps as a band of women devoted to the principles of our Order—Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

Thornburg, No. 25, Georgetown, January 12th; President, Edna Hood; Installing Officer, John A. Coulter, Past Department Commander.

George H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins, January 4th; President, Ida E. Seckner; Installing Officer, Olivia L. Mandeville.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, January 2d; President, Emma D. Adams; Installing Officer, Laura S. Dodge, Department President, reports a joint installation held with Nathaniel Lyon Post No. 5, G. A. R. A full attendance of members of both Post and Corps, and a very enjoyable time was had after installation.

Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff, January 6th; President, Fannie McCabe; Installing Officer, H. W. Goodrich, Post Commander, reports joint installation with Post, followed by literary exercises and addresses. Lunch also was served.

Kit Carson No. 31, Lamar, January 11; President, Eliza A. Wright; Installing Officer, Carrie S. Cooper, reports this Corps in good condition and expect to send a full delegation to the Department Convention, provided it is changed from Aspen to Denver.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont, January 2; President, Mary E. Smith; Installing Officer, Mary L. Carr, Past Department President, reports Post and Corps held a joint installation. Refreshments were served by the Corps. Speeches and music by members of both organizations made the occasion a very enjoyable one.

Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta; President, Jennie Feuel, from whom no report was received, and to whom several letters were written, but no response.

Akron No. 36, Akron, January 5, President, Glen Langley; Installing Officer, John M. Tague.

Pikes Peak No. 39, Manitou, January 6; President, Anna Emick; Installing Officer, A. Cree.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver, January 6th; President, Emma C. Scrivner; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron, reports a bitter cold night; joint installation with Post; a very pleasant gathering. The relations existing between Post and Corps are of the most cordial character. This Corps promises to be one of the most efficient in the Department.

Phil Sheridan, No. 41, Buena Vista, January 5th; President, Julia A. Logan; Installing Officer, Henry Logan, Post Commander, Phil Sheridan Post, G. A. R.

George Washington No. 42, Denver; President, Maud L. Gardiner; Installing Officer, Jennie McGill, Department Junior Vice President, reports a joint installation with the Post, and a general good time was the verdict of all. Since then President Maud L. Gardiner has resigned and Anna E. Cline was installed.

Joe Hooker, No. 43, Monte Vista, January 2d; President, Nettie H. Lewis; Installing Officer, C. S. Aldrich, reports this Corps as exhibiting unusual promptitude and proficiency in installation work.

Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, January 20; President, Julia White; Installing Officer, P. B. Reynolds, Post Commander of Holyoke Post, reports a good attendance, work well done. Installation delayed on account of unpleasant weather, which was much regretted.

John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton, January 3; President, Mary E. Cozens; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell, reports joint installation held with Post, after which was a nice entertainment consisting of music and recitations. Refreshments of sandwiches, fried chicken, coffee and cake were served. The dignified President of the Relief Corps and the Commander of the Post seemed to forget their exalted positions and responsibilities and enjoyed themselves as much as anyone.

Major Anderson No. 46, Harris, January 12; President Ara L. Fishback; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell, reports a joint installation held with the Post; the Corps doing their work exceedingly well. A musical and literary entertainment was given, after which an old fashioned bean bake was enjoyed by all; a comrade exhibiting a hard tack which he had preserved since 1864.

Phil Kearney, No. 47, Platteville, January 3; President, Emily Beaman; Installing Officer, L. Hiltibiddle, reports the officers and members active and interested in advancing the Corps and Order; the attendance at meetings good. I would respectfully suggest that the Department Officers correspond with the officers of this Corps and urge the importance of memorizing the Ritual, this being the only point in which they appear deficient.

There has been two Corps organized in the Department during the past year.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango, instituted May 27, 1893, with a charter membership of 26; President, Katherine Holt Kelley; Installing Officer, M. D. Copeland.

General Shields No. 10, New Castle, Colo., January 13; President, Ellen Hahn; Installing and Instituting Officer, Rosella Goodrich, reports installation took place in presence of members Gen. Childs Post; addresses were made by several members who congratulated themselves on having such a valuable Auxiliary. Remarks were made by the President, the Installing Officer, and Mrs. Mays of Battle Mountain Corps, who assisted at installation. This Corps starts out under very favorable circumstances, with a charter membership of 11.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

Notwithstanding the repeated recommendations of my predecessors there is still great negligence in making out and forwarding to the I. and I. Officer proper election returns and reports of installation of officers, and I earnestly suggest that some action be taken by this Convention that will insure, on the part of retiring and incoming officers, a better knowledge of and compliance with the Regulations of the Order.

In conclusion, I desire to extend to you, Mrs. President, my grateful acknowledgements for the many courtesies extended, and assistance rendered at all times.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LUCY M. CAPRON,
Dept. Instituting and Installing Officer.

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Report of Counselor.

OFFICE OF COUNSELOR,
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C., }
LONGMONT, Colo., June 10, 1894.

IRA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

MADAM:—I have the honor to submit the following brief report as Counselor for the past year:

I have attended two Council meetings and have promptly and cheerfully performed all duties required of me by the President. My work has not been burdensome, and as our president has been for many years a leader in our Order and fully conversant with the Rules by which we

are governed, she has found it necessary to refer but few questions to her Counselor.

Our correspondence through the year has been extensive, much of it of a confidential character in the interest of the order, and my duties have been more of an advisor on matters of policy than as Counselor on matters of law.

The following questions have been submitted to me for my opinion:

Question: Can the Department President grant a dispensation to a Corps to issue a discharge card to a member at a special meeting?

Answer: No. A discharge card can only be granted at a regular meeting.

Question: Can a Post Commander institute a Corps?

Answer: No. The Instituting Officer must be a member of the Order. The obligation is a part of the Ritual, and "The Ritual and unwritten work of the Woman's Relief Corps must be kept secret."

With a due appreciation of the confidence reposed in me, I desire to return my sincere thanks to the Department President for her courteous consideration of suggestions I have made in the interest of the work and for her uniform kindness during the year of our official relations.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

MARY L. CARR,
Department Counselor.

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Report of Delegate-at-Large.

OFFICE OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE,
COLORADO AND WYOMING, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
BOULDER, Colorado, June 7, 1894. }

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

The undersigned, acting as Delegate-at-Large to the Eleventh National Convention, held at Indianapolis, September 6, 7 and 8, 1893, would respectfully submit the following report:

We left home on the 2d of September, in company with our Department President, her husband and one other delegate—a small but select party. For good and sufficient reasons we did not travel on the official train, nevertheless had a very pleasant time, arriving at Chicago just in time to be too late for the regular train out to Indianapolis. However, owing to our badges, we succeeded in getting on a special just pulling

out. Here we made ourselves as comfortable as circumstances would permit. We made the acquaintance of quite a number of delegates from Illinois and other visitors to the Convention, which made the time, six or eight hours, pass pleasantly. Arriving at our destination, at six o'clock, we were escorted to Headquarters. Here we were lodged, six in one room, but as we had access to the bath-room, and were all good natured, it did not seem so very bad; and the next morning, when we learned that hundreds of men, women and children had been on the streets all night, because they had not where to lay their heads, we were thankful that it was so well with us. Tuesday morning we were up with the birds, for this was the day of days for the G. A. R. At an early hour we were out visiting Department Headquarters, Colorado being first on the list. At half-past nine we were in our places on the grand stand, having been honored with complimentaries for that occasion. Here we remained until four in the afternoon, hot and tiresome almost beyond measure to us, and what must it have been for the thousands of comrades who were tramping over the five miles laid out for the line of march for that day? The number was estimated at 22,000.

"You should have seen those men march twenty-eight years ago last May," said a spectator to a friend, "as I did, at the grand review at Washington at the close of the war; that was marching, and, pray God, may you, my boy, never see the marching in your life-time as it comes only from the hardships of campaigns, the discipline of war, and the deadly peril of the battle-field." For hours and hours the veterans marched through the hot sun, keeping time to the music of the fifes, drums and brass bands. Some were fine looking men, seemed to be just in their prime; quite a number of others had an arm missing, buried on some far-off battle-field. We noticed a great many old men, both white and colored, who seemed too old and feeble to undertake a thing like that, but they had traveled hundreds of miles to take part in this grand parade. They seemed to be enthused with the same kind of spirit that prompted them to go forth to battle when the call came for a hundred thousand more. Their pride would not let them rest on laurels already won, but at least this once more they must join in the march. Probably before another reunion they will have passed over to the great beyond. The parade was a grand success, yet we were glad when it was over, and the soldiers could have a rest. Tuesday we spent in calling at various Department Headquarters, making many pleasant acquaintances.

Wednesday at ten o'clock a. m. the Eleventh National Convention of the W. R. C. was called to order in Roberts Park church, a large, commodious edifice, beautifully decorated for the occasion with flowers, banners, etc., and where we had the pleasure of exhibiting our own beautiful

banner, which was greatly admired. It is not necessary to give you in detail the business transacted, suffice it to say that the sessions throughout were perfectly harmonious. In the President's report she recommended that the Relief Corps, as an organization, unite with what is known as the National Council of Women. This caused a lengthy discussion, and was met by strong opposition on the part of some, at which we were very much surprised. Surely it behooves us as an organization to keep step with other organizations, and by uniting with this congress of women we become a part of it, and every three years we will be allowed to send delegates to these Council meetings, where we will have an opportunity of explaining the work in which we are engaged. As a charity organization it excels all others, and as one noted for her great-heartedness once said, "Charity organization means heart-strengthening. It is the sympathy that we bring to these crushed homes that is needed. Those who think it an easy task to be a friendly visitor are very much mistaken. It takes your life-blood away from you, but it gives you heart culture." We are doing a grand work, and while others are coming into prominence we must not stay behind. We are glad to state the motion prevailed. The business of the Convention was frequently suspended to admit some visiting comrades who had, as the messenger stated, been in the ante-room an hour and a half, waiting to pay their respects to the ladies. Who shall say that men have no patience? While these frequent interruptions were annoying, as they retarded business, they were yet pleasant, for all gave us words of praise and encouragement, showing clearly that as an Order, we are being appreciated, if not by many, at least by a few. Commander-in-Chief Wiessert could not say enough in commendation of the work of the W. R. C. In his report I find this among the many good things he said of us: "On all occasions, under all circumstances, they have assisted Posts everywhere in our land, and many Posts to-day owe their continued existence to their efforts. The W. R. C. have distributed for the relief of comrades, the families of destitute comrades, and the widows and orphans the sum of \$58,620.37; amount turned over to posts during the year, \$34,406.39; amount for Memorial Day, \$14,331.36, making a total expended for relief since organization of \$842,920.39—a monument of which they might be proud. They have a total membership of 134,336, an increase over last year of 4,300. I bespeak for the W. R. C. the continued encouragement of our Order." I insert this for the purpose of showing those, if there are any, who think that our Order is decreasing in either interest, membership or funds, that they are greatly mistaken. Among the many prominent visitors was Capt. Jack Crawford, the only representative from New Mexico, wearing his frontier suit of buckskin and his hair reaching to his shoulders. He not only made us a rousing, comical speech, but

read an original poem dedicated to Mrs. Margaret Ray Wickens, National President. We were visited by the band boys from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Orphans' Home, accompanied by their leader, who rendered some delightful music. The President made some beautiful remarks, which were responded to by the President of the Home extending a cordial invitation to visit the place, which contains some six or seven hundred orphans. Major Hendershot, of Rapahannock fame, was introduced, accompanied by his son, who gave some music, and were then presented with a beautiful fife and drum from the W. R. C. This closed the first day of the Convention. That evening we attended three receptions, and could have gone to as many more, but nature rebelled and said it was enough, so we hied us to our lowly cots and sought repose.

Thursday morning the session opened at nine o'clock. To-day, as yesterday, we were crowded with business and thronged with visitors. Before the Convention got down to business, T. S. Clarkson, of Nebraska, Comrade Semple, of Pennsylvania, and H. S. Smith, of Ohio, called, all making eloquent speeches, which were responded to most earnestly and quite as eloquently by Mrs. Wickens. She expressed the sense of honor conferred by the call, and decorated the gentlemen with the badge of her administration—the grasshopper pin and her profile as a pendant. The Ada F. Clark affair came up again. The committee had sustained the President; then the Convention did the same, which action of course suspended Mrs. Clark. She made a prodigious effort to open up the case, but was not quite as good a tactician as the National President. The meeting was under a volcano of fire for about five minutes, but the keen-sighted and judicial-minded western woman, with a turbulent Convention on her hands, a growing sorrow in her heart, and her mind tortured by conflicting emotions, held the women with an iron grip, hidden under a velvet glove. She had tried, ineffectually, to get some one to fill the chair while the Convention was acting on her address. The Senior Vice was ill; the Junior Vice was indisposed; the Counsellor was needed elsewhere, so Mrs. Wickens was placed in the embarrassing position of having to pass judicially upon her own message. That she did it honestly, fairly and impartially, not one woman in that Convention will controvert. Throughout the long, trying day, she stated propositions over and over again, clearly, technically, kindly, and not once was an appeal taken from her decision. In appreciation of the high esteem in which Mrs. Wickens is held by West Virginia, the infant department of the W. R. C., organized last May, the members presented her with a beautiful solid silver soup-bowl, with name and date engraved on the cover. The bowl was gold-lined, and contained one hundred silver dollars, given by the delegates as a small token of their ap-

preciation of her services. The presentation was made by Mrs. Ida Moore, of Kansas, National I. and I. Officer, in a very gracious manner, reminding her that she had reached her fiftieth birthday and the silver anniversary of her marriage on the same day. Mrs. Wickens for the first time lost control of herself, but only for a short time, when she arose and faltered her thanks for the gift.

The first thing in the afternoon was the election of officers, the Convention making a very wise choice in the selection of Mrs. Sarah C. Mink, of New York, for National President. The election was quiet and quite satisfactorily. Colorado receiving a small share of the honors, for which we are truly thankful, believing, as we do, that it is a stepping stone that will lead to something higher. The report of Mrs. Turner, who was appointed to visit the colored Corps in the South, called forth the most thrilling speech of the Convention. It was given by a young colored sister, who was evidently well educated, and whose heart is in the work, making an appeal to the National Convention to send some one to instruct her people, not an inspector, but an instructor, that they would do it if they only knew how. After a little routine business, the ladies proceeded to install their officers, and the Eleventh National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps was declared adjourned sine die.

On both days the delegates were treated to a bountiful lunch, and we have only to refer to our menu cards, given us each day, to remind us of the good things that were so generously served to us.

And now we come to the closing of our report and we hope that in some small measure, at least, that it will be satisfactory. You have heard what our Commander-in-Chief, Wiessert, said of us; you have heard the statistics of the last year and know from them of the great work that is being done by the Relief Corps workers in the United States. It is great indeed. We have shown thus far that we are equal to all demands made upon us, and they are likely to increase very rapidly in the next few years. Let us put forth every effort toward increasing our funds and arousing a greater interest among our loyal women, and so be prepared for whatever may come to us to do. Our comrades will soon pass through the dark valley, over the river, and pitch their tents within the shadow of the great unknown; but behind them, as a monument of achievement, will remain the ocean bound American Republic, the only true republic the world has ever known, within whose borders there is no peasant, no serf, no slave, only men and women, living in the consciousness of the true nobility of manhood, and womenhood. Across this continent from the rock bound coast on which beats the waves of the Atlantic, over mountain and valley for thirty-five hundred miles to where the calm Pacific beats on California's golden strand, there is to-day a

great unbroken level of happy American homes, in which live the representatives of all races, of all nationalities, of all civilizations, and all are gathered around the altar of one common country in the brotherhood of universal freedom. Over all the starry banner under which they fought and whose folds are emblazoned with the names of the proudest victories humanity ever won, waves as the ensign of that government which is the realized hope of the great and good of all the ages. When, within our borders hundreds of millions shall live the home life of America's free men and around their hearts the story of the brave deeds of our comrades shall be told, those teeming millions will have but one flag, one country, one destiny.

EMMA D. ADAMS,

Acting as Delegate-at-Large to the Eleventh National Convention.

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Report of Department Relief Committee.

DENVER, Colo., June 5, 1894.

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary—

DEAR MADAM:—Your committee takes great pleasure in reporting to you what they have accomplished in assisting some of our comrades and families during the past year.

I received my appointment some time in July. Oct. 26 I received my first call for aid from an old soldier's family, which I assisted to the amount of \$3.50.

Dec. 25 I received a letter from the Department President, stating that there was an old army nurse very ill in the Symm block. I called and found that Mrs. Phillips had been there and provided her with a nurse and some necessary articles for which she paid \$4.98. Dec. 30 the nurse died. For room rent and other necessary expenses for said nurse, Mrs. Phillips paid \$15.00.

February 13 I received a letter from the Department President requesting me to call on an old soldier's family at 2311 Blake street, Denver. I called and found them very destitute. I assisted them to groceries and fuel to the amount of \$4.55.

February 16 I sent a soldier's family at Eastonville, Colo., \$10.

February 16 Mrs. Phillips called on an old soldier's family, whose children were sick with diphtheria, and she assisted them to \$1.70; also on February 23 she assisted another soldier's family to groceries, 50 cents; cash, \$1.

March 16 I gave the ladies of Veteran Corps \$3 to help defray the burial expenses of one Mathew Allen, who died at the County hospital.

April 2 I sent a soldier's family at Eastonville, Colo., \$10.

April 4 Mrs. Phillips assisted a soldier's family to groceries, fuel and cash; \$5.15.

April 9 I paid Dr. McNaught \$2 for medicine for one of our comrades.

June 4 I paid \$20 for a nurse for an old soldier's daughter, and \$5 of this was donated by Veteran Corps.

One of our comrades and wife wished to be moved to their son's at Greeley who would provide for them if there, but was unable to defray the expense of moving them; so we decided one of the best ways to do charity work was to place them in a position to help themselves, for which we paid \$17; \$3 of this being donated Geo. Washington Corps, and \$2 by the M. M. Crocker Corps.

We have received from the Department \$97, and paid out for charitable work, \$91.38; for car fare, stamps and stationery, \$5.26; balance on hand, 36 cents.

In conclusion we wish to extend our sincere thanks to our ever responding President, and Treasurer; also for their ever noble words of encouragement and good advice in our work.

Very Respectfully Yours, in F., C. and L.,

ALICE A. EASTON,
ANNIE W. PHILLIPS,

Committee on Department Relief.

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List of Committees.

President's Address—

America Anderson	Denver
Gwendolin Powell	Aspen
Mary E. Smith	Longmont
Anna M. Gavitt	Colorado Springs

Senior Vice President's Report—

Laura Mason	Pueblo
Clara M. Hooper	Greeley
Francis M. Thomas	Red Cliff

Junior Vice President's Report—

Sadie M. Fisher.....Cheyenne
 Adelia Ditman.....Grand Junction
 Nettie S. Harker.....Leadville

Secretary—

Camilla Smith Fair.....Leadville
 Persis Arnold.....Denver
 Julia W. Logan.....Buena Vista

Treasurer—

Sarah A. Goff, M. D.....Leadville
 Dora Greiner.....Red Cliff
 Margelia Hamilton.....Denver

Chaplain—

Susie J. Searl.....Leadville
 Irene Fitch.....Aspen
 Rosetta Fairchild.....Denver

Inspector—

Emily O'Brien.....Cheyenne
 Emma D. Adams.....Boulder
 Clara Rapp.....Denver

I. and I. Officer—

Margelia Hamilton.....Denver
 Olive Butler.....Denver
 Emma L. Gartley.....Aspen

Counselor—

Dorcas A. Hasson.....Denver
 Susie M. Waters.....Denver
 Alice S. Hardesty.....Aspen

Chairman of Department Relief—

Lucy McMahon.....Denver
 Nancy Cowell.....Denver
 Emma Thomas.....Leadville

Delegate-at-Large—

Clara M. Hooper.....Greekey
 Ruth McGill.....Denver
 Lilian Hawthorn.....Denver

Resolutions—

Lucy M. Capron.....	Denver
Hannah R. Johnson.....	Aspen
Maria D. Wolcott.....	Leadville

Courtesies—

Mary L. Carr.....	Longmont
Alice T. Smith.....	Denver
Dora Steele.....	Grand Junction
Anna E. Cline.....	Denver

Press—

Sadie M. Fisher.....	Cheyenne
Hannah R. Johnson.....	Aspen

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Secretary's Minutes.

ASPEN, Colorado, June 13, 1894.

After preleminary exercises noted at the beginning of this Journal, which were open to the public, the Credential Committee was called upon for a report, but as they were not ready to report, an extension of time was granted.

Report of Senior Vice President Susie J. Searl was then read, and referred to committee.

Credential Committee reported that forty-one Credential Cards had been presented.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the calling of the roll be omitted until to-morrow, or until a vote was about to be taken. Motion prevailed

Report of Junior Vice President Jennie McGill was read by Sadie M. Fisher, and referred to committee.

Report of Department Secretary Issa E. Crosby was read and referred to committee.

Report of Department Treasurer Janette L. Todd was read and referred to committee.

Guard announced that a committee from the Circle of the G. A. R. Ladies was waiting in the ante-room, and wished to tender their greetings to the Tenth Department Convention of the W. R. C. Upon motion, business was suspended, and the Conductors requested to present the visitors. Accordingly, Mrs. Rice, Mrs. Watson and Mrs. Aike were

introduced from the platform. A few words of greeting were given the Convention by the chairman, Mrs. Rice, which were responded to by the Department President, Mrs. Dodge, after which the visitors retired.

Chaplain's report was then read by Sadie M. Fisher, and referred to committee.

The President announced that a sketch of the life of Amanda J. Felch (deceased), Army Nurse, had been handed her, and asked the wish of the Convention in regard to having it read. Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Miss Fisher, that the reading of this document be postponed until some future time. Carried.

A short intermission was then given.

House again called to order, and a history of the life of Amanda J. Felch was read, which was referred to committee on Chaplain's report.

Counselor's report read and referred to committee.

Report of I. and I. Officer read and referred to committee.

Committee from the G. A. R. Encampment was announced.

Upon motion, business was suspended, and the committee escorted to the platform and introduced to the Convention. Col. Anderson, as chairman of the committee, spoke in warm praise of the W. R. C. as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND LADIES OF THE CONVENTION: Among all my varied experiences in the performance of duties, during the fifteen years of active Grand Army life, I cannot now recall one that has afforded me as much satisfaction and pleasure as the privilege now enjoyed in bearing to you the fraternal greetings of the Fifteenth Encampment, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Grand Army of the Republic.

We realize and appreciate the great work you are doing. We know that all over this land your faithful bands and zealous, patriotic women are ever at work looking after the welfare of our unfortunate comrades; and as I look into your cheerful faces to-day I recognize the ones who were our best friends during those perilous days of '62, '3 and '4, when the dark clouds of war hung so low over this land—days when it seemed so uncertain upon which side the god of battles would unfurl the victorious banner. You were with us then, faithful, true and devoted. You have been with us all along down the uneven journey of life. You are with us now. You will be with us to close our eyes in death, and after death you will see that our graves are neither neglected nor forgotten. May God bless the Woman's Relief Corps and strengthen your arms for the work before you.

Comrade Malpuss told the ladies how he appreciated their efforts in behalf of the old soldiers.

Comrade Todd then addressed a few words of good cheer.

Remarks were made by Mrs. Carr, Mrs. Anderson, Mrs. Todd, and others. The Department President presented each comrade with a souvenir of the Convention. They were then escorted from the hall by the Conductors.

Business was again resumed.

Report of Delegate-at-Large was read and referred.

Committee on Courtesies was announced by the Department President; also the committee on Resolutions.

A motion to adjourn until 7 p. m. carried.

EVENING SESSION, JUNE 13.

Meeting called to order at 7 p. m. by the President.

Report of Department Relief Committee was read and referred to committee.

Report of Department Inspector was read and referred to committee.

Upon motion, Convention adjourned to 8 a. m. to-morrow.

MORNING SESSION, JUNE 14.

Convention called to order at 8 a. m. by the President.

Conductors reported all present members of the W. R. C. After prayer and singing of "America," the roll was called and 36 reported present.

Minutes of the afternoon session read, corrected and approved.

Minutes of evening session read and approved.

Minutes of Council meetings held during the year read.

Moved by Mrs. Smith (of Mende), seconded by Miss Fisher, that they be adopted. Carried.

Report of Department President to Department Commander was read by Mrs. Carr, chairman of Committee on Courtesies. Committee then visited G. A. R. Encampment and submitted the following report:

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,)
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO G. A. R.,)
ASPEN, Colorado, June 14, 1894.)

MYRON W. REED, Department Commander Grand Army of the Republic—

SIR:—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's

Relief Corps, I herewith present to you, and through you to the Fifteenth Annual Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, the following statement of the condition and work of the Woman's Relief Corps of this Department:

At the beginning of the year, May 18, 1894, there were 34 Corps in this Department. Two Corps have been organized, and one disbanded, and one, having failed to report to Headquarters for the entire year or to respond to repeated letters from Department officers requesting it to surrender its charter and disband in the proper manner, has been dropped from the Roster, leaving 34 Corps in good standing at the present date.

The Membership of the Order is 1354, being a total gain of 86 during the year.

Two hundred and forty-five soldiers have been assisted.

Amount of relief rendered in money.....	\$1868 02
Amount of relief other than money.....	2656 90
Total relief rendered.....	\$4524 92
Balance in General Fund of Corps.....	1889 52
Balance in Relief Funds of Corps.....	748 25
Amount Expended from Dept. Relief Fund.....	112 00
Balance in Dept. Relief Fund.....	37 52
Contributed by Corps for Soldiers Home, Monte Vista..	112 50
Contributed by Corps to W. R. C. Home, Madison, O..	117 00
Contributed by Corps for Memorial Day in the South..	14 00

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LAURA S. DODGE,
Department President.

ISA E. CROSBY, Department Secretary.

JANETTE L. TODD, Department Treasurer.

Committee on Department President's address announced themselves as being ready to report. The Senior Vice President was called to the chair and the following report read:

To the Officers and Members of the Tenth Department Convention:—

Your Committee, to whom was referred the Department President's address, have carefully examined the same, and have the honor to report the following:

We cordially approve this most excellent address and desire to express our appreciation of the very able manner in which our Department affairs have been conducted during the year.

We heartily commend the President for her earnest and loyal devotion to the work and for the harmony that exists throughout the Department.

We fully realize that to carry on our work, it requires personal sacrifice, the giving of time, money and self, and we are sure the President has given all this and more.

Her duties have been many, varied and arduous and have been performed in a conscientious manner, ever looking to the welfare and up-building of our Order.

The following recommendations for consideration by this Committee have been approved, to wit:

Recommendation No. 1 approved.

Recommendation No. 2 approved.

Recommendation No. 3 approved.

Recommendation No. 4 approved.

Respectfully submitted,

AMERICA ANDERSON,
GWENDOLIN POWELL,
ANNIE M. GAVITT,
MARY E. SMITH,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Hamilton, seconded by Mrs. Cowel, that the recommendations embodied in the Department President's address be taken up separately.

No. 1 was read and, upon a motion made by Mrs. Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Hawthorne, was adopted.

No. 2 read and adopted.

No. 3 read and adopted.

No. 4 read and discussed at some length. Moved by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Capron, that we accept the recommendation, if found not to be in violation of the laws of the Order. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, that the report be adopted as a whole. Carried.

The President again resumes the chair. Report of the Committee on the Senior Vice President's report was read.

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

The Committee heartily endorse the report of Senior Vice President

for the thorough manner in which her work was done and recommend the report be adopted as a whole.

LAURA MASON,

CLARA M. HOOPER,

FRANCIS M. THOMAS,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Miss Fisher, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Report of the Committee on the Junior Vice President's report was read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

We, the committee upon the Junior Vice President's report, would state we have carefully examined the same, and would most respectfully recommend that it be adopted.

S. M. FISHER,

ADELIA DITMAN,

NETTIE S. HARKER,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Hawthorne, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Report of the Committee on the Secretary's report was read as follows:

To the Members of the Tenth Department Convention:

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT:—We, the undersigned Committee on the Department Secretary's report, most respectfully submit the following:

We have carefully examined the report, and to the members of this Convention we would say:

You are so well acquainted with Isa E. Crosby that you know how capable she is, how ably she has filled the office for the last year, ever being ready and willing to do all in her power to promote the best interests of our Order.

We feel that too much praise cannot be given, and we therefore congratulate the Department President on her selection of such a competent assistant as the Department Secretary.

All of which is respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.

CAMILLA SMITH FAIR,

PERSIS A. ARNOLD,

JULIA W. LOGAN,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. McGill, seconded by Miss Fisher, that the report of the Committee be adopted. Carried.

Report of the Committee on the Chaplain's report was read as follows:

The Committee on Department Chaplain's report beg leave to submit the following:

We have carefully examined the report and most heartily endorse the same. The report clearly shows that the Corps in this Department observe Memorial Day with proper respect and regard by keeping it sacred—leaving festivities and pleasures for other days more appropriate.

Your Committee would recommend that the statement of Amanda F. Felch be accepted and placed on file with Department records for future reference.

Most respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

SUSIE J. SEARL,

ROSETTA FAIRCHILDS,

IRENE L. B. FITCH,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Cowell, seconded by Miss Fisher, that the report be adopted, and a copy of the paper read on the life of Mrs. Amanda Felch be placed on file. Carried.

The Committee on Courtesies reported that they had visited the Grand Army, now in session, and delivered the Department President's report to the Commander, and also stated that some facts had been delivered to the G. A. R. Encampment. Said facts were then stated by the chairman of the Committee, Mrs. Mary L. Carr.

Moved by Mrs. Searl, seconded by Mrs. Anderson, that a vote of thanks be tendered Mrs. Carr for presenting the "facts" to the Department Encampment. Carried.

Report of the Committee on the Treasurer's report was read as follows:

The Committee on the Treasurer's report, having carefully examined it, take pleasure in recommending it. We find the work has been done very neatly and carefully.

Her recommendations we heartily endorse and recommend their adoption.

S. A. GOFF, M. D.,

M. E. HAMILTON,

DORA GREINER,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Searl, that we adjourn for five minutes to witness G. A. R. parade. Carried.

The President announced that an invitation to attend the installation service of the G. A. R. had been received.

Moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, that a committee be sent to represent the Convention at the installation service. Carried.

The President appointed Mrs. Watson, Mrs. Powell and Mrs. Gilliam, of Winfield Scott No. 19, on said Committee.

Convention adjourned to witness the parade.

Convention again called to order.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Greiner, that we proceed to the election of officers. Carried.

Miss Wolcott, Mrs. Newland and Mrs. Marshall were appointed Tellers.

Roll called, and 47 reported present.

Committee from G. A. R. Encampment announced. Upon motion business was suspended and comrades admitted.

Chairman of the committee announced that they had come with a band of music to escort this Convention to the opera house to witness the installation of Department Officers for the ensuing year.

Convention adjourned for this purpose.

Having returned from the opera house, Convention passed word was taken, roll of members called and 47 found to be present.

Nominations for Department President: Mrs. Arnold nominated Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Newland.

Mrs. O'Brien nominated Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Hooper.

Mrs. Fairchild nominated Miss Fisher, seconded by Mrs. Kennedy.

Nominations declared closed, and the candidates presented from the platform.

Ballot was collected and the Tellers retired.

Report of the Committee on Delegate-at-Large:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

Your Committee on the report of Delegate-at-Large have the honor to submit the following:

That we have carefully examined the report and find it a brief and clear document, and would respectfully recommend that it be adopted as read.

CLARA M. HOOPER,

RUTH MCGILL,

LILLIAN HAWTHORNE,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Smith (of Meade), seconded by Mrs. Thomas (of Red Cliff), that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers returned and reported whole number of votes cast 47; necessary to a choice, 24. Mrs. Todd received 27, Mrs. Fair 13, and Miss Fisher 7.

Mrs. Todd was declared elected Department President.

Nominations for Senior Vice President: Mrs. Johnston was nominated by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Hardesty.

Nominations closed.

Moved by Mrs. Searl, seconded by Mrs. O'Brien, that we dispense with the ballot and the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Johnston. Carried.

Secretary cast the vote for Mrs. Johnston and she was declared elected Department Senior Vice President.

Nominations for Junior Vice President: Mrs. Adams nominated Mrs. Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Thomas of Leadville.

Mrs. Capron nominated Mrs. Phillips, seconded by Mrs. Cline.

Nominations closed.

While the Tellers were in the ante-room, the Committee on resolutions reported as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

Your Committee on resolutions beg leave to present the following:

I. Resolved: That the use of credential cards be discontinued, as they have been found to be a needless expense.

II. Resolved: That our delegates to the National Convention be instructed to use their best efforts against the admission of old soldiers as honorary members to W. R. C.

III. Resolved: That it is undesirable for Corps to have any entertainment on Memorial Day.

IV. Whereas: The number of the charter members of the Woman's Relief Corps of the Grand Army of the Republic is growing less year by year, and

Whereas: The noble patriotic women who conceived and carried out to full fruition the idea of this organization, deserve to be honored in all time to come, be it therefore

Resolved: By the W. R. C. of this Department of Colorado and Wyoming, that the National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps be requested to present to each of the surviving charter members of the first National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps a badge, suitably designed to commemorate that event.

LUCY M. CAPRON,

MARIA D. WOLCOTT,

HANNAH R. JOHNSTON,

Committee.

Upon motion the resolutions were acted upon separately.

First resolution read and adopted.

Second resolution read and adopted.

Tellers returned and Announced that 44 votes were cast; necessary to a choice, 23. Mrs. Hooper received 31, Mrs. Phillips 13.

Mrs. Hooper declared elected Department Junior Vice President.

Nominations for Department Treasurer: Miss Fisher was nominated by Mrs. O'Brien, seconded by Mrs. Fairchild.

Mrs. Adams was nominated by Mrs. Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Armingtton.

Mrs. Hamilton was nominated by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Smith.

Nominations closed.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

Third resolution read and adopted.

Fourth resolution read and adopted.

Tellers returned and announced that 46 votes were cast; necessary to a choice, 24. Miss Fisher received 10 votes, Mrs. Adams 14, and Mrs. Hamilton 22.

There being no election on the first ballot, a second ballot was ordered. Ballot again collected, and Tellers retired.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Hooper, that the outgoing officers be instructed by this Convention to issue a Charter to a Corps at Hotchkiss. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, that Mrs. Carr be empowered to complete Charter Record began this year. Carried.

Tellers returned and announced that 47 votes were cast; necessary to a choice, 24. Miss Fisher received 10, Mrs. Adams 13, Mrs. Hamilton 24. Mrs. Hamilton was declared elected Department Treasurer.

Nominations for Department Chaplain: Mrs. Susie J. Searl, of Leadville, was nominated by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Fairchild. Mrs. Searl was elected by acclamation.

Upon motion, Convention adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION, JUNE 14.

Convention called to order at 1:30. Pass-word collected, and all present reported entitled to remain.

Nominations for first Member of Executive Board: Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Kennedy were nominated.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

Moved by Mrs. Anderson, seconded by Mrs. Smith, that the Department President and Secretary have the Journal printed, and that they be allowed to correct any grammatical errors. Carried.

Tellers returned and reported 42 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 22. Mrs. Adams received 25, Mrs. Kennedy 17. Mrs. Adams declared elected first Member of Executive Board.

Nominations for second Member of Executive Board: Mrs. Anderson was placed in nomination.

Nominations closed, and Mrs. Anderson declared elected by acclamation.

Nominations for third Member of Executive Board: Mrs. Fairchild and Mrs. Phillips were nominated.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

Mrs. Carr, chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, read a letter from Past Department President, Mrs. Howard, and telegrams which were sent to Past Department Presidents, Telford and Henderson.

Tellers returned and reported 42 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 22. Mrs. Fairchild received 8 votes, Mrs. Phillips 33. Mrs. Phillips was declared elected third Member of Executive Board.

Nominations for fourth Member of Executive Board: Mrs. Gavitt was placed in nomination.

Nominations closed, and Mrs. Gavitt was declared elected by acclamation.

Nominations for fifth Member of Executive Board: Mrs. Logan and Mrs. Waters were nominated.

Nominations closed.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

The report of the Committee on the I. and I. Officer's report was read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

Your Committee to whom was referred the report of the I. and I. Officer, beg leave to submit the following report:

I. That it is clear, concise and comprehensive.

II. That it is a model of neatness and logically worded, and the recommendation contained therein, your Committee are of the opinion, is worthy the consideration and attention of this Convention and is approved by the Committee.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

M. E. HAMILTON,

EMMA L. GARTLEY,

OLIVE C. BUTLER.

Committee.

Upon motion the report of the Committee was adopted.

Tellers returned and reported 42 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 23. Mrs. Logan received 32 votes, Mrs. Waters 10. Mrs. Logan was declared elected fifth Member of the Executive Board.

Nominations for Delegate-at-Large: Miss Fisher and Mrs. Goff were nominated.

Nominations closed.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

The report of the Committee on the Department Counselor's report was read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

Your Committee upon the report of the Department Counselor have examined the same and find it correct and in excellent shape, and would recommend that it be accepted and placed on file.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

DORCAS A. HASSON,

SUSIE M. WATERS,

ALICE HARDESTY,

Committee.

Upon motion the report of the Committee was adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Kennedy, seconded by Mrs. Searl, that three hundred copies of the Journal be printed. Carried.

Mrs. Fair, of Leadville, stated that Mrs. Dr. Messenger, now of Chicago, who was at one time a member of Garfield Corps, was reported to be in possession of an Honorable Discharge Card, which Garfield Corps had never granted her. She wished the order to know this fact.

Tellers returned and reported 45 votes cast; necessary to a choice, 23. Miss Fisher received 28 votes, Mrs. Goff 17. Miss Fisher declared elected Delegate-at-Large.

Nominations for first Delegate: Mrs. Crosby was nominated by Mrs. O'Brien, but declined with thanks.

Mrs. Smith (of Meade) and Mrs. Campbell were nominated.

Nominations closed.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

The report of the Committee on the Inspector's report was read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT, AND MEMBERS OF THE TENTH DEPT. CONVENTION:—

Your Committee to whom was referred the Inspector's report, have examined the same and find it satisfactory in every respect, and are very

much gratified with the full and complete account of the work of our Order during the year, and would most respectfully recommend it to the Convention for adoption.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

EMILY E. O'BRIEN,

MRS. ADAMS,

MRS. RAPP,

Committee.

Upon motion the report of the Committee was adopted.

Tellers returned and reported 36 votes cast; necessary to a choice.

19. Mrs. Smith received 21 votes, Mrs. Campbell 15.

Mrs. Smith declared elected First Delegate.

Nomination for Second Delegate: Mrs. Gartley and Mrs. Fair were nominated. Nominations closed.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

Report of the Committee on the Department Relief Committee's report was read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT:—

We, the undersigned, have examined the report of the Department Relief Committee and have found it correct; showing that the Committee has worked hard and faithful for the past year.

Yours in F., C. and L.,

LUCY McMAHON,

NANCY COWELL,

EMMA E. THOMAS,

Committee.

Upon motion the report of the Committee was adopted.

Mrs. Searl tendered her resignation as Chaplain of the Department, which, upon motion, was not accepted by the Convention.

Tellers returned and reported that 43 votes were cast; necessary to a choice, 22. Mrs. Gartley received 25 votes, Mrs. Fair 18.

Mrs. Gartley declared elected Second Delegate.

Nominations for Alternate-at-Large: Mrs. Powell was nominated. Nominations closed. Mrs. Powell was declared elected Alternate-at-Large by acclamation.

Nomination for First Alternate: Mrs. Cline nominated. Nominations closed. Mrs. Cline was declared elected First Alternate, by acclamation.

Nominations for Second Alternate: Mrs. Ditman was nominated. Nominations closed. Mrs. Ditman declared elected Second Alternate, by acclamation.

Chairman of Committee on Courtesies read the following report, which, upon motion, was accepted:

Resolved: That the thanks of the Tenth Annual Convention are due, and are hereby tendered to Winfield Scott Corps No. 19, for the highly satisfactory manner in which the plans for the entertainment of the delegates and visiting members have been carried out.

Resolved: That the thanks of this Convention are hereby tendered the citizens of Aspen for the cordial welcome accorded us, and that we deeply appreciate the liberality that made our visit one long to be remembered.

MARY L. CARR,

ALICE T. SMITH,

DORA STEELE,

ANNA E. CLINE,

Committee on Courtesies.

Moved by Mrs. Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Smith, that our retiring Department President, Mrs. Dodge, be endorsed by this Convention as a member of the Soldiers Home board. Carried.

Minutes of morning session read and approved.

Mrs. Carr, Department Counselor, then, in behalf of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, presented to the retiring Department President, Mrs. Dodge, a handsome solid gold watch and chain, as a token of the great love and esteem in which she was held by the sister members of the Order.

Mrs. Dodge, in a few well chosen words, thanked the Department for their appreciation.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Thomas, that we proceed to the installation of officers.

Convention adjourned, and was escorted to the opera house by the members of the G. A. R. Encampment, headed by the Drum Corps, for the purpose of installing their officers elect.

Past Department President
Newland as conductor, pro

President, Janette L.

Senior Vice President

Junior Vice President

Treasurer, Margelia F.

Chaplain, Susie J. Se

The Department President
announced the following appointments:

Secretary, Olive C. Bu

Inspector, Camilla Smi

I. and I. Officer, Annie

Counselor, Laura S. D

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ISA E. CROSBY,
Department Secretary.

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Minutes of Council Meetings.

FIRST COUNCIL MEETING.

PUEBLO, Colorado, May 18, 1893.

The first meeting of the Department Council was held immediately after the Ninth Annual Convention closed. Thirteen members were present. An Auditing Committee of three was chosen from the Executive Board, consisting of Mrs. Feeny, Mrs. Adams and Mrs. Hooper. The newly-installed Department President made a few remarks, asking the earnest support and hearty co-operation of each member of the Council in carrying on the work of the Order for the year, and in keeping up the present high standard of the Department. No further business coming before the Council, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Department President.

ISA E. CROSBY,
Department Secretary.

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SECOND COUNCIL MEETING.

BOULDER, Colorado, February 2, 1894.

The second meeting of the Department Council was held at Department Headquarters, February 2, 1894. Number of members present, five. In the absence of Isa E. Crosby, Department Secretary, Mrs. Clara M. Hooper, of Greeley, was appointed Secretary pro tem. Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Adams, that expenses of Auditing Committee be paid by the Department. Carried.

Communication was read from the National President asking a contribution for the National Relief Fund. Moved by Mrs. Hooper, seconded by Mrs. Feeny, that the Department of Colorado and Wyoming give from the Department Relief Fund \$25 to the National Relief Fund. Motion carried, and Department Treasurer was instructed to forward the same to National Headquarters.

The question having arisen as to whether Members of the Executive Board, not past or present Corps Presidents, have a vote in the Department Convention, it was decided, upon motion, that the Department President be instructed to refer the subject to the National President for her decision. Meeting adjourned.

CLARA M. HOOPER,
Secretary pro tem.

THIRD COUNCIL MEETING.

WARNER HOUSE, ASPEN, Colorado, June 13, 1894.

The third meeting of the Department Council was held June 13, 1894, with nine members present. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. The Auditing Committee reported that the books of the Department Secretary and Department Treasurer had been examined July 18th and October 18, 1893, and January 16th, May 3d and June 16, 1894, and that they found them neatly kept and correct in every particular. Upon motion, the report of the committee was accepted. There being no further business to be brought before the Council, it was moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Carr, that this Council adjourn sine die.

ISA E. CROSBY,
Department Secretary.

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Decisions of the Tenth Department Convention.

- 1st. That once a quarter each Corps President, under the head of the "Good of the Order," present a statement to the Corps, explaining the needs and disposition of the money received from quarterly dues.
- 2d. That a suitable glass case be purchased for the Department W. R. C. Banner, the same to be placed in the G. A. R. Room in the State House.
- 3d. That the Department President have the power of appointing a Transportation Committee of three, who shall relieve her of the necessity of applying for passes and special rates to the railway companies.
- 4th. That the Department Secretary and Treasurer be paid ten (\$10) dollars for their services during the current quarter.
- 5th. That Corps hereafter supply themselves with stationery of official size.
- 6th. That decision 14 of the Ninth Department Convention be rescinded.

Unofficial Proceedings.

All arrangements in Aspen for the comfort and entertainment of the delegates to the G. A. R. Encampment and W. R. C. Convention were complete and satisfactory. Everything was done that could do honor to the Veterans and their Auxiliary.

The local committees worked with untiring zeal; meeting all trains—no matter what time they arrived—and escorting visitors to places of entertainment. .

The places of meeting, public and private buildings were beautifully and appropriately decorated with the national colors.

Tuesday evening a reception, ball and banquet were given by the members of Winfield Scott Corps No. 19, to the visitors of both Orders. Those who were so fortunate as to be there made those who were whiling away the time on a side track aboard a belated train, "green with envy" at the recital of the pleasures of the evening.

Wednesday evening a grand camp fire was held at the lake, which was also a success.

Thursday evening was spent by a great many at Glenwood Springs. The swimming pool and toboggan slide proving the greatest attractions.

The attention of the Grand Army of the Republic in escorting the Woman's Relief Corps to and from the opera house at the time of the installation of officers of each body was highly appreciated and accepted as a token that the "better half" could not be dispensed with.

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General Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, May 20, 1893.

General Orders {
 No. 1. }

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at the Ninth Annual Convention held in Pueblo, May 17 and 18, I hereby assume command, pledging myself to carry on the work so well begun by my distinguished predecessors, to the best of my ability, and asking the earnest support and hearty co-operation of each and every members of the Order throughout the Department.

I. Department Headquarters are hereby established at Boulder, Boulder County, Colorado, and Isa E. Crosby has been appointed Secretary.

II. Janette L. Todd, 2363 Blake St., Denver, Colorado, having been elected Treasurer, all orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

III. Corps Chaplains are reminded that the Memorial Day blanks must be filled out immediately after Memorial Day and forwarded to Department Chaplain, Carrie V. Donaldson, 418 Park St., Pueblo, Colorado.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,
 Department Secretary.

LAURA STURTEVANT DODGE,
 Department President.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, June 12, 1893.

General Orders {
 No. 2. }

The Ninth Department Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, held at Pueblo, May 17 and 18, will go on record as having been one of the most harmonious and largely attended ever held. Delegates are to be congratulated on their prompt attendance and strict attention to the necessary business of the Convention. It is earnestly desired that the inter-

est manifested at that time may be continued during the year in order that Department officers may be aided and encouraged in carrying on the work of the Order, and in keeping up the high record established at National Headquarters by previous administrations.

The following officers were elected:

President—LAURA S. DODGE, Boulder.

S. V. President—SUSIE J. SEARL, Leadville.

J. V. President—JENNIE MCGILL, Denver.

Treasurer—JANETTE L. TODD, Denver.

Chaplain—CARRIE V. DONALDSON, Pueblo.

Executive Board—

VIRGINIA M. FEENY, Boulder. MAY H. MARNATH, Cheyenne.

CLARA M. HOOPER, Greeley. SARAH RUSSEL, Golden.

•EMMA ADAMS, Boulder.

Delegate-at-Large—ALICE T. SMITH, Meade Corps No. 6.

First Delegate—LUCY M. CAMPBELL, M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40.

Second Delegate—ELIZA D. WRIGHT, Kit Carson Corps No. 31.

Alternate-at-Large—MARIA B. LACOUNT, Gunnison Corps No. 12.

First Alternate—CAMILLA SMITH FAIR, J. A. Garfield Corps No. 8.

Second Alternate—ELLA WHEELER, Upton Corps No. 2.

The following appointments have been made:

Secretary—ISA E. CROSBY, Boulder.

Inspector—SADIE M. FISHER, Cheyenne.

Counselor—MARY L. CARR, Longmont.

I. and I. Officer—LUCY M. CAPRON, Denver.

These officers, in the discharge of their duties, will be respected and obeyed accordingly. Their predecessors are hereby relieved.

The Department Relief Committee is as follows:

Alice A. Easton, Corps No. 40, 743 Witter St., Denver.

Ella L. C. Dwinell, Corps No. 4; Anna W. Phillips, Corps No. 42.

The following are appointed Aides on the Staff of the Department President:

Chief Aide, Emma L. Martin, Corps No. 12.

Fannie D. Hardin, Corps No. 6; Lida E. Fitch, Corps No. 20.

Carrie L. McNeely, Corps No. 7; Carrie E. Phillips, Corps No. 25;

Gwendolin Powell, Corps No. 19; Elnora Baker, Corps No. 26;

Josephine E. Mays, Corps No. 29; Martha Aitken, Corps No. 36;

Celestia Barker, Corps No. 31; Mary Anson, Corps No. 43;

Annie R. Irwin, Corps No. 44.

Aides are expected to become efficient in the work of the Order, so as to be able to advise and assist the President, as she may direct.

A new Department pass-word is sent with this order. Members holding transfer cards must remember that they, belonging to no Corps, having no Corps President, ARE NOT ENTITLED TO RECEIVE THE PASS-WORD.

Permission is hereby given to Corps to conform to Rules and Regulations, Chap. II, Art. V, Sec. 1, (see edition of 1893), in regard to regular meetings during July, August and September.

J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9 has contributed \$5.00 to the Department Banner fund.

The Roll of Honor will be continued. ALL Corps sending in CORRECT reports on or before the fifth of the month following the close of the quarter will hold EQUAL rank in the Roll of Honor.

The Roll of Honor for Corps reporting no suspended members during the quarter will be continued.

The following are the

DECISIONS OF THE NINTH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION.

- 1st That the representation to Department Conventions remain the same as at present, one for every twenty, and one for the final fraction of over half that number.
- 2nd. That the per capita tax remain the same, fifteen cents per member.
- 3rd. That the records of disbanded Corps be kept on file at Headquarters for one year.
- 4th. That a record be kept at Headquarters giving the date of organizations of Corps and names of Charter Members; also a record of all disbanded Corps, and cause of same, with a full list of members in good standing at the time of disbandment.
- 5th. That Department and Assistant Inspectors be required to copy all written matter on Charters at the time of the inspection of the several Corps, forwarding the same to Headquarters, that a complete record of all Charters may be secured.
- 6th. That a complete file of Department and National Journals be bound and kept at Headquarters, and that great care be taken in the preservation of the same.
- 7th. That Corps hereafter organized be given the vacant numbers in our Roster, commencing with the first vacant number, and that date of organization be added to the Roster.

- 8th. That a uniform size of letter paper be used by Corps in corresponding with Department Officers, as it is more convenient for filing.
- 9th. That the Department Secretary, when sending out election return blanks to the Corps Presidents, enclose therewith installation blanks in envelopes addressed to the Department I and I. Officer, the blanks to be filled out by the Installation Officer, and forwarded immediately after installation.
- 10th. That on election returns sent to the Department Secretary be written the address of the Corps President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain, with street and number of those living in cities.
- 11th. That a General Order containing the address of the Department Chaplain be sent to all Corps Chaplains.
- 12th. That Corps Treasurers' bonds be furnished free to all Corps; Department Secretary to send same with Corps Secretaries' and Treasurers' blanks, the last quarter of the year.
- 13th. That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blanks, the amount due to accompany the order, as per Rules and Regulations.
- 14th. That all supplies ordered by mail be registered, the Corps paying the registry fee.
- 15th. That the "Delegate Badges" ordered by the Eighth Annual Convention remain the property of the Department, and in the custody of the Department Treasurer; that they be furnished by her to delegates for use in National Convention, each delegate to receipt for her badge and return the same to the Department Treasurer after the Convention; that the Department President can change the ribbon of badge at her discretion.

Department Headquarters have been established in Union Hall Block, Pearl Street, Boulder, where the Department President and Secretary will be Wednesday and Friday mornings of each week for the transaction of business.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, August 4, 1893.

General Orders }
No. 3. }

From correspondence with the Commandant of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at Monte Vista, I learned that the capacity of the Home is being increased, and that thirty-five additional cots will soon be needed. It is hoped that each Corps will do what it can toward supplying this need. Each contribution, however small, will be gratefully received and acknowledged. All moneys must be sent to Department Treasurer, Janette L. Todd, 2363 Blake street, Denver, Colo., who will receipt for the same, give each Corps proper credit, and forward amount to the Treasurer of the Soldiers' Home Commission.

I. Corps Presidents are requested to present the foregoing to their Corps at the earliest possible opportunity, that the money may be on hand as soon as needed.

II. The Eleventh National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, September 6, at 9 o'clock a. m., in Roberts Park Church. Every delegate is expected to be present at that time. Department Headquarters will be at 72 East Vermont street, where all friends of the Order are invited to call during the Convention.

The Accomodation Committee, Mrs. Nettie Ransford, chairman, will secure hotel or boarding house addresses for any who may desire. Boarding house rates, including lodging and meals, range from \$1.00 to \$2.00 per day. Hotel rates from \$1.00 to \$4.00 per day. Lodging alone from 50 cents to \$1.25 per day.

A committee will meet all trains, September 4 to 9 inclusive, to assist visitors to their destinations. Delegates are urged to carry hand baggage only.

Railroad rates from all points in Colorado and Wyoming will be announced in daily papers—also departure of official train.

III. The following is a full of list of Representatives and Delegates to the Eleventh National Convention:

Mary E. Stimpson, Past National J. V. President.

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS:

Catharine C. Kennedy,
 Mary Jewett Telford,
 Augusta B. Henderson,
 America Anderson,
 Climenta G. Howard,
 Mary L. Carr.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS:

Laura S. Dodge, President.
 Susie J. Searl, S. V. President.
 Jennie McGill, J. V. President.
 Janette L. Todd, Treasurer.
 Isa E. Crosby, Secretary.

DELEGATES:

Alice T. Smith (at large),
 Lucy M. Campbell,
 Eliza D. Wright.

ALTERNATES:

Maria B. LaCount (at large),
 Camilla Smith Fair,
 Ella Wepler.

IV. E. V. Summer Corps No. 7, Silver Cliff, Colorado, has contributed \$5.00 to the Department Banner Fund.

V. The following Corps, having sent in correct reports on or before July 5, are hereby announced on the Roll of Honor for the second quarter, 1893.

Farragut	No. 1	Kit Carson	No. 31
James A. Garfield	" 8	McPherson	" 32
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	George Crook	" 35
Veteran	" 14	Akron	" 36
U. S. Grant	" 15	Pike's Peak	" 39
Winfield Scott	" 19	M. M. Crocker	" 40
Custer	" 20	George Washington	" 42
W. T. Sherman	" 24	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Thornburg	" 25	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Nathaniel Lyon	" 27	Phil Kearney	" 47
Battle Mountain	" 29		

VI. Roll of Honor for second quarter, 1893, for having no suspended members:

Farragut	No. 1	Nathaniel Lyon	No. 27
Upton	" 2	Battle Mountain	" 29
Sedgwick	" 3	Kit Carson	" 31
George G. Meade	" 6	McPherson	" 32
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kilpatrick	" 34
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	George Crook	" 35
Gunnison	" 12	Akron	" 36
Veteran	" 14	Phil Sheridan	" 41
U. S. Grant	" 15	George Washington	" 42
Grand Junction	" 17	Joe Hooker	" 43
Winfield Scott	" 19	Holyoke	" 44
Custer	" 20	J. C. Fremont	" 45
W. T. Sherman	" 24	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Thornburg	" 25	Phil Kearney	" 47

VII. I announce, with regret, that George Crook Corps No. 35.

Tie Siding, Wyoming, has disbanded since the beginning of the present quarter.

RECOMMENDATION.

That during the present financial depression prevailing throughout Colorado and Wyoming, Corps prevent loss of membership by non-payment of dues for the ensuing quarter, by remitting the same to members unable to pay, according to Red Book, page 144, section I.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,
Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, August 30, 1893.

General Orders }
No. 4. }

I. The Annual Inspection of Corps in this Department will occur during the months of September, October and November.

II. For reasons of economy, the Department Inspector will be assisted in her work by the Department President and Department Senior Vice President.

III. Department Inspector, Sadie M. Fisher, will inspect Corps Nos. 1, 5, 6, 14, 15, 20, 24, 25, 26, 27, 32, 40, 42, 45, 46 and 47.

Department President, Corps No. 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 31, 34, 36, 39, 43 and 44.

Department Senior Vice President, Corps Nos. 8, 12, 17, 19, 29 and 41.

IV. Department Inspector will consult with her assistants in regard to the time of inspection, and due notice will be given each Corps.

V. Corps Presidents will call special meetings if necessary, and must notify each member of the same.

VI. The complete work of the Ritual must be exemplified, and regular Order of Business carried out. Auditing committees will show, by their report on the books of the Secretary and Treasurer, whether the same are correctly kept and agree with each other.

VII. Corps officers are requested to render all assistance necessary:

that the inspection may be thorough and conducted as expeditiously as possible.

VIII. Traveling expenses of Inspecting Officers are paid by the Department; but Corps are expected to entertain officers during their visit of inspection.

IX. Blanks for Quarterly Reports, for the third quarter of 1893, are sent with these Orders. Corps Presidents are again requested to be sure that Reports are CORRECT IN EVERY PARTICULAR before signing them, and that money for the per capita tax is sent by Postoffice Order with Reports the Department Secretary, Isa E. Crosby, Boulder, Colorado. The order must be made payable to Janette L. Todd, Department Treasurer, and made payable at the Denver postoffice, but first sent to the Secretary at Boulder, who will forward it to Denver.

X. Journals of the Tenth National Convention will be forwarded to any member of the Order upon receipt of fifteen cents for postage. Journals of the Ninth Department Convention can be had on receipt of five cents for postage.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS. }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, November 14, 1893.

General Orders }
No. 5. }

I. According to the Rules and Regulations of our Order, the annual election of officers will take place at the first regular meeting of each Corps in December, or at a subsequent meeting, if necessary, to conclude the election. Each member must be notified of the meeting and its object.

II. Delegates and alternates to the Annual Convention will also be elected at the same time, one delegate for each twenty members in good standing on September 30th, and one for the final fraction of over one-half that number; and an equal number of alternates.

III. Each Corps is entitled to one delegate and one alternate, whatever its membership may be.

IV. Choose carefully your officers for the ensuing year. Elect those who are competent, and who will faithfully and conscientiously perform the duties laid upon them, and then sustain them in the work of the year.

V. Article VII, Chapter 11, of Rules and Regulations must be read previous to election.

VI. The officers-elect must be installed at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for the purpose during the month. Joint public installations with Posts are recommended when convenient.

VII. The Installing Officer will be chosen by the officers-elect, the Corps Secretary reporting their choice, also date of installation, to the DEPARTMENT SECRETARY at once. If a member from another Corps be chosen, the appointment will be made by the Department President. All expenses of Installing Officer must be borne by the Corps.

VIII. Installation blanks will be forwarded to Installing Officers.

IX. Two "Election Returns" blanks will be sent to each Corps, which must be filled out, immediately after election, with the names of of newly elected officers, including delegates and alternates, giving address (street and number if in cities where mail is delivered) of President, Secretary, Treasurer, and Chaplain. These lists must be signed by Installing Officer and retiring President on the inside, and certified to as correct by the newly installed President on the outside fold. One list must be sent to Department Secretary, and one to Department Instituting and Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron, 132 South Lincoln Avenue, Denver, Colorado.

X. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter:

	No. 1	Battle Mountain	No. 29
Farragut	4	Kit Carson	31
Colorado Springs	5	McPherson	32
T. H. Dodd	6	Kilpatrick	34
George G. Meade	7	Akron	36
E. V. Sumner	8	Pike's Peak	39
James A. Garfield	9	M. M. Crocker	40
J. F. Reynolds	14	Phil Sheridan	41
Veteran	15	George Washington	42
U. S. Grant	20	Joe Hooker	43
Custer	24	Holyoke	44
W. T. Sherman	25	J. C. Fremont	45
Thornburg	26	Maj. Anderson	46
George H. Thomas	27	Phil Kearney	47
Nathaniel Lyon			

XI. The following Corps have reported no suspended members during the third quarter:

Sedgwick	No. 3	Kit Carson	No. 31
George G. Meade	" 6	McPherson	" 32
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Akron	" 36
Veteran	" 14	Pike's Peak	" 39
U. S. Grant	" 15	George Washington	" 42
Custer	" 20	Joe Hooker	" 43
W. T. Sherman	" 24	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Thornburg	" 25	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Geo. H. Thomas	" 26	Phil Kearney	" 47
Nathaniel Lyon	" 27		

XII. Money for the Soldiers' Home has been contributed from the following Corps:

Sedgwick	\$ 3 00	Winfield Scott	\$ 5 00
George G. Meade	10 00	W. T. Sherman	5 00
E. V. Sumner	2 50	Nathaniel Lyon	25 00
U. S. Grant	25 00	Akron	2 00
Grand Junction	5 00	J. C. Fremont	5 00

XIII. Bedding for the Home has been sent by a number of Corps, but as no valuation has been reported to Headquarters, proper credit cannot be given.

XIV. The deepest sympathy of this Department is extended to our Past National President, Margaret Ray Wickens, in her recent severe affliction.

XV. Department Headquarters has been removed to residence of Department President, 1605 Pine Street, Boulder, Colorado.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSNY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

Boulder, Colorado, February 12, 1894.

General Orders }
 No. 6. }

I. In this, the first General Order issued in the new year, the Department President extends to all members of the Order a cordial greeting. To the newly elected officers her congratulations are tendered on their election to the responsible positions they are expected to fill for the ensuing year, charging each one to study carefully Rules and Regulations to attend each meeting promptly, and "to strictly perform the duties of the office devolving upon her." To the members of each Corps: You have elected your officers; now stand by them, and give them all the encouragement in your power by a punctual attendance at all meetings and a cheerful obedience to all requirements of the Order. A Corps cannot prosper unless officers and members work together in harmony, all for the great object "for which we are banded together."

Corps Presidents are reminded that they are responsible for the correctness of all reports sent to Headquarters, and are referred to General Orders No. 4, Article IX, for instructions in forwarding Quarterly Reports and per capita tax. Membership, amount expended in cash for relief, and amount other than money for relief, must agree in Secretary's and Treasurer's reports, or they will be sent back for correction.

II. Quarterly Reports for the fourth quarter, 1893, show a great loss in membership by suspension, and inspection revealed the fact that all Corps Treasurers are not conscientious in complying with the law which requires them to "notify all members in arrears." This must be done. Each President and Treasurer is urged to do all she can to prevent further loss by this cause, and to have those "suspended" now "re-instated" before the next Quarterly Reports are due. If we cannot hope to gain many new members during these times of financial stringency, let us do all we can to keep in good standing those we have.

III. Each Corps is urged to contribute something to the W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio, respecting which a special order was issued November 24, 1893, by the Board of Directors, and approved unanimously by the National Council, and a copy sent to each Corps in this Department. I cannot present the needs of the Home more forcibly than to quote from a letter received at Headquarters from Pluma L. Cowles, Secretary of the Home Board: "I am aware that the local needs are many and great, but still we must not forsake the Army Nurses. This work

was handed over to the Home Board by the Eleventh National Convention with no appropriation, as they have no funds for this purpose, to draw upon. Pitiful calls for aid are coming in from those whose pensions are delayed, or, who, worse still, can never obtain one, not being able to meet the requirements of the law. I would call your attention to the able report of Mrs. Wittenmyer in the National Tribune of December 14, 1893. It is a grand record of work accomplished, and the coming year may see the balance of claims finished if there is a 'strong pull together.' The expense of pushing these claims, funds needed for the outside Army Nurses, and the fitting up of the hospital must all be met." Let us all send something to help this pressing need. It Corps cannot spare anything from their funds, let each member contribute to a special "Home fund." Is it not worth a small sacrifice from each of us? Contributions must be sent through Department Treasurer.

IV. In compliance with orders from National President, I hereby instruct each Corps President to appoint a committee of three members to petition the County and City Superintendents and teachers to adopt some form of patriotic salute to the American flag, to be introduced in the morning exercises in the public schools. Committees can supply themselves with a manual of Patriotic Salutes, five cents each, by applying to Col. Geo. T. Balch, Auditor of Public Instruction, No. 33 E. 22nd St., New York City.

V. Corps Presidents are instructed that General Orders—National, Department and Special—are issued for the instruction of members as well as officers. They must be read in two consecutive meetings, then filed for future reference. Corps not having order files will procure them at once.

VI. McPherson No. 32, sent \$15 to the Soldiers' Home since last order was issued, making \$102.50 turned over by Department Treasurer to Treasurer of Soldiers' Home Board to aid in furnishing the new building. Contributions other than money are as follows:

Farragut No. 1, bedding valued at.....	\$ 5 00	G. H. Thomas No. 26, bd'g..	\$12 00
Upton No. 2, bedding.....	15 00	Battle Mt. No. 29, bedding..	10 00
T. H. Dodd No. 5, bedding..	5 00	Pike's Peak No. 39, bd'g...	15 00
Jas. A. Garfield No. 8, bd'g.	27 50	M. M. Crocker No. 40, bd'g..	10 00
Gunnison No. 12, bedding...	10 45	Geo. Washington No. 42, bd'g	
Veteran No. 14, bedding....	10 00	and miscell's articles.....	25 00
		Holyoke No. 44, bedding....	5 00

Several Corps sent Thanksgiving and Christmas boxes, which were highly appreciated by the veterans.

VII. Roll of Honor for correct reports for the fourth quarter, 1893, is as follows:

Farragut	No. 1	George H. Thomas	No. 26
Colorado Springs	" 4	Nathaniel Lyon	" 27
George G. Meade	" 6	Battle Mountain	" 29
E. V. Sumner	" 7	Kit Carson	" 31
James A. Garfield	" 8	McPherson	" 32
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil Sheridan	" 41
Grand Junction	" 17	George Washington	" 42
Winfield Scott	" 19	Joe Hooker	" 43
Custer	" 20	Holyoke	" 44
W. T. Sherman	" 24	J. C. Fremont	" 45
Thornburg	" 25	Phil Kearney	" 47

VIII. The Roll of Honor for those having no suspended members, not seeming to accomplish the object for which it was established, is hereby discontinued.

IX. Gen. Shields No. 10, W. R. C., was instituted January 13, 1894, at New Castle, Colo. Mrs. Ellen Hahn, President. Mrs. Rosella Goodrich, Instituting Officer.

X. Presidents of Corps in cities where mail is delivered will please have forwarded to Department Secretary at once the street and number of President, Secretary, Treasurer and Chaplain.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, May 1, 1894.

General Orders }
No. 7. }

Memorial Day, with its hallowed memories of the past and its significant duties of the present, is again at hand. Thirty years ago the loyal sons of the Union were falling by thousands in defense of Flag and Country. To-day their comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic are falling almost as rapidly by reason of the wounds they received and the privations they endured nearly a generation ago.

More and more frequently do we see the funeral processions moving with solemn pace to the cities of the dead. As we see the shortened column, the new-made grave and the feeble steps of the survivors, we realize that only a few more years can pass before the last of that gallant band will be laid at rest.

Now, if ever, it should be our pleasure and our duty to relieve the Posts of the labor of preparing for the annual "festival of the dead." Call around you the young men and women and the children of your community. They will gladly aid in gathering the "fragrant blossoms of Spring;" they will help you wind the wreathes and decorate the graves. Thus will you perpetuate the memory of the nation's "heroic dead," and instill into the hearts of the rising generation lessons of patriotic devotion to country.

Let each Corps prepare a special offering to the memory of the hero for whom its Post is named.

Presidents of Corps making contributions for Memorial Day in the South will forward the same through the Department Treasurer to National Treasurer, she to remit to the Quartermaster General of the Grand Army for distribution.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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BOULDER, Colorado, May 14, 1894.

General Orders {
No. 8. }

I. The Tenth Annual Convention of this Department will be held at Aspen, Colo., June 12, 13 and 14, 1894, for the election of officers and the transaction of such business as may properly come before it.

II. The Convention will be called to order in Armory Hall at 9:30 A. M. Tuesday, June 12, and all delegates and representatives are expected to be in their seats at that time.

III. The Department Convention shall consist of the following: National and Past National Officers noted in Chapter III, Article II, Section 1, of Red Book; all Department officers, all Past Department Presidents as long as they remain in good standing in their respective Corps; all Corps Presidents, or in their absence the Vice Presidents in order of seniority; all Past Corps Presidents as long as they remain in good standing in their respective Corps; all regularly elected delegates or their alternates. Corps organized since January 1 will be represented by their President only (or Vice Presidents in order of seniority).

IV. Department Headquarters will be established at the Warner House, 412 Main St. The Department Council will meet at Headquarters on Monday, July 11, at 7:30 P. M.

V. The Credential Committee will consist of Department Senior Vice President, Department Secretary and Department Treasurer. This committee will be at Armory Hall at 8:30 A. M. June 12 for the reception of the credentials of delegates and representatives.

VI. Full information regarding room and board, and securing the same, can be obtained by corresponding with Mrs. Gwendolin Powell, 201 Hunter street, Aspen. Visitors will be met on arrival of trains by the Reception Committee of W. R. C. No. 19.

VII. Railroad rates and the departure of trains will be announced in the daily papers.

VIII. Credential Cards are sent with this order. Cards of Corps Presidents must be signed by the S. V. President and Secretary.

IX. The Roll of Honor for the first quarter of 1894 is as follows:

Farragut.....	No. 1	Thornburg.....	No. 25
T. H. Dodd	" 5	George H. Thomas	" 26
George G. Meade	" 6	Nathaniel Lyon	" 27
E. V. Sumner	" 7	Battle Mountain	" 29
James A. Garfield	" 8	Kit Carson.....	" 31
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	McPherson	" 32
Gen. Shields.....	" 10	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil Sheridan	" 41
Grand Junction	" 17	George Washington	" 42
Winfield Scott.....	" 19	Joe Hooker	" 43
Custer	" 20	J. C. Fremont	" 45
W. T. Sherman	" 24	Maj. Anderson	" 46

X. Corps contributing to the W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio, are as follows.

Geo. G. Meade No. 6.....	\$10 00	Nathaniel Lyon No. 27.....	\$25 00
Jas. A. Garfield No. 8.....	10 00	Battle Mountain No. 29.....	5 00
Veteran No. 14.....	10 00	Geo. Washington No. 42.....	5 00
U. S. Grant No. 15.....	5 00	Joe Hooker No. 43.....	2 00
Winfield Scott No. 19.....	5 00	Phil Kearney No. 47.....	5 00
W. T. Sherman No. 24.....	5 00		

XI. Contributions to the Soldiers' Home since last order have been as follows: Thornburg No. 25, \$5; and Kit Carson No. 31, bedding valued at \$3.70.

XII. Contributions for Memorial Day in the South have been as follows: Custer No. 20, \$5; Battle Mountain No. 29, \$2; George Washington No. 42, \$2.

XIII. Department Treasurer will close her books on June 1. All supplies must be ordered before that date.

XIV. All bills of Department officers against the Department must be sent to Department Secretary by June 1.

XV. All resolutions and recommendations to be acted upon by Department Convention must be sent to Department Secretary by June 1.

XVI. Department officers are requested to send their reports for Convention to Department Headquarter by June 1.

XVII. Corps Chaplains will send their Memorial Day reports to Department Chaplain, Carrie V. Donaldson, 418 Park St., Pueblo, Colo., IMMEDIATELY after May 30.

By command of

Official:

LAURA S. DODGE.

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

Special Orders.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, November 14, 1893.

Special Order {
 No. 1. }

After due trial of Sadie A. Redmond, of Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, of Boulder, Colorado, by a Court of Inquiry, upon charges preferred of conduct unbecoming a member of our Order. I declare her dishonorably discharged.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }

BOULDER, Colorado, June 6, 1894.

Special Order {
 No. 2. }

Owing to the fact that railroad tickets at special rates will not be on sale until June 11th, Department officers cannot reach Aspen before June 12th. Therefore it is hereby announced that the Tenth Annual Convention of this Department will be called to order at 9:30 A. M. June 13th. Credential committee will meet at 8:30 the same morning.

Council meeting will be held at Headquarters in Aspen (Warner House) at 7:30 P. M. June 12th.

Corps Presidents will notify delegates and representatives of this change AT ONCE.

By command of

Official:

ISA E. CROSBY,

Department Secretary.

LAURA S. DODGE,

Department President.

Roster of Subordinate Corps.

NAME OF CORPS	LOCATION.	PRESIDENT.
Farragut.....	1 Denver.....	Jennie McGill.....
Upton.....	2 Pueblo.....	Carrie V. Donaldson.....
Sedgwick (organized May 27, 1893).....	3 Durango.....	Katharine Holt Kelley.....
Colorado Springs.....	4 Colorado Springs.....	Lucy F. Wheeler.....
T. H. Dodd.....	5 Golden.....	Charlotte R. Coe.....
George G. Meade.....	6 Denver.....	Francis I. Klock.....
E. V. Sumner.....	7 Silver Cliff.....	Kate Brewer.....
James A. Garfield.....	8 Leadville.....	Maria D. Wolcott.....
J. F. Reynolds.....	9 Cheyenne, Wyo.....	Emily E. O'Brien.....
Gunnison.....	12 Gunnison.....	Emma L. Martin.....
Veteran.....	14 Denver.....	Lucy M. Capron.....
U. S. Grant.....	15 Greeley.....	Annie B. Sanborn.....
Grand Junction.....	17 Grand Junction.....	Harriet E. Abbey.....
Winfield Scott.....	19 Aspen.....	Hannah R. Johnson.....
Custer.....	20 Laramie, Wyo.....	Anna Bristol.....
W. T. Sherman.....	24 Evans.....	Maggie I. McCain.....
Thornburg.....	25 Georgetown.....	Edna Hood.....
Geo. H. Thomas.....	26 Fort Collins.....	Elnora Baker.....
Nathaniel Lyon.....	27 Boulder.....	Isa E. Crosby.....
Battle Mountain.....	29 Red Cliff.....	Dora Greiner.....
Kit Carson.....	31 Lamar.....	Edna K. Gould.....
McPherson.....	32 Longmont.....	Eva G. Coffin.....
Chester A. Arthur.....	33 Sundance, Wyo.....	Harriet Settle.....
Kilpatrick.....	34 La Junta.....	Helen Manley.....
Akron.....	36 Akron.....	Glenn Langley.....
Pike's Peak.....	39 Manitou.....	Francis Johnston.....
M. M. Crocker.....	40 Denver.....	Lucy M. Campbell.....
Phil Sheridan.....	41 Buena Vista.....	Mary E. Campbell.....
Geo. Washington.....	42 Denver.....	Annie W. Phillips.....
Joe Hooker.....	43 Monte Vista.....	Eliza F. Sickles.....
Holyoke.....	44 Holyoke.....	Lizzie M. Reynolds.....
John C. Fremont.....	45 Littleton.....	Carrie Rogers.....
Maj. Anderson.....	46 Harris.....	Martha A. Cummings.....
Phil Kearney.....	47 Platteville.....	Emily Beaman.....

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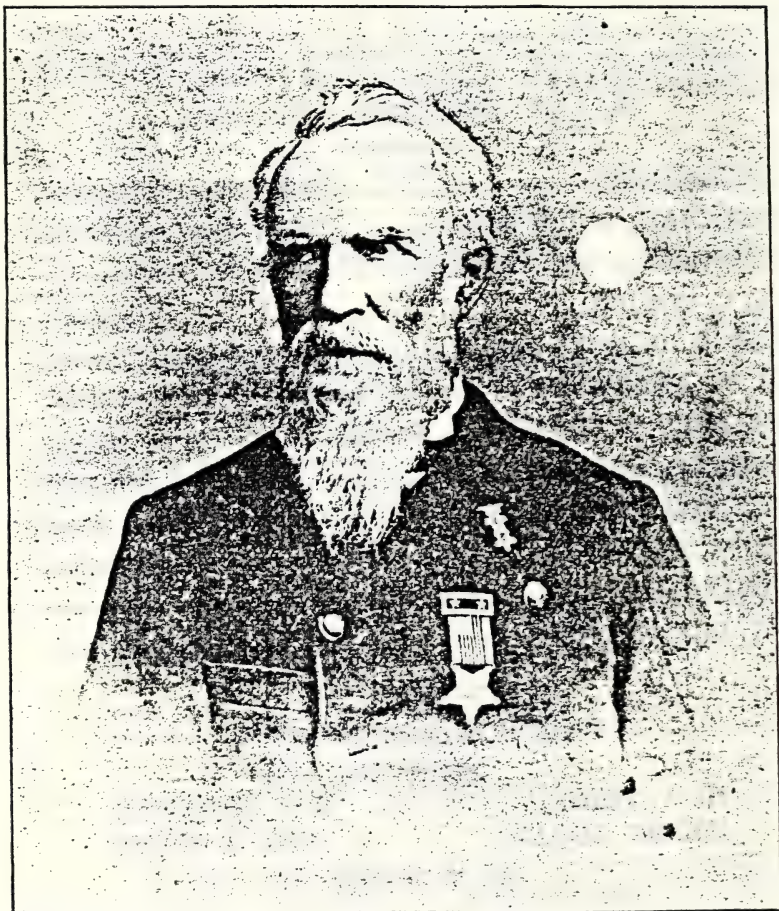
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DR. G. H. MOULTON.....Medical Director
J. W. ANDERSON.....Assistant Adjutant General
HALSEY M. RHOADS.....Assistant Quartermaster General
HOMER MERRILL.....Judge Advocate
JOSEPH P. AIRY.....Chief Mustering Officer
E. W. SMITH.....Department Inspector
WILLIAM McFIE.....Assistant Commissary of Subsistence
W. H. MACOMBER.....Chief of Staff

H. W. TODD, L. E. SHERMAN,
HENRY LOGAN, JOHN I. KLOCK,
S. M. BIGGS.



N. ROLLINS,
Past Department Commander,
COLORADO AND WYOMING, G. A. E.



THOMAS G. LAWLER.

COMMANDER IN CHIEF, G. A. R.



JANETTE L. TODD,
President.

ROSTER OF WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

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ANNA W. PHILLIPS,

JULIA W. LOGAN,

*AMERICA ANDERSON,
ANNA M. GARRETT.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION:

*GWENDOLIN POWELL (at large).....Aspen, Colorado
*ALICE T. SMITH.....Denver, Colorado
*ANNA ADAMS.....Boulder, Colorado

ALTERNATES:

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ANNA CLINE.....Denver, Colorado
ADELIA DITMANGrand Junction

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PAST DEPARTMENT TREASURERS:

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IDA DELANGE, JANETTE L. TODD,
 LETTIE KESSLER.

* Present.

ROSTER.

Farragut Corps No. 1,

DENVER.

President	Minnie L. Benson
Past President	Catharine C. Kennedy*
"	Ida DeLange*
"	Mary A. Condit*
"	Jennie McGill*
Delegate	Emma J. Boyden*
"	Hester W. Hartsell*
Alternate	Franc Rice
"	Anna Benton

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"	Laura Mason*
"	Anna Rickabaugh*
"	Carrie Donaldson*
"	Ella Weppler*
Delegate	Drasia Simmers
"	Elizabeth Kinney*
Alternate	Roth DePue*
"	Lucinda Smith*

Sedgwick Corps No. 3,

DURANGO.

(Organized May 27, 1893)

President	Lizzie H. Tiffany
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Delegate	Martha A. Dill*
Alternate	Carrie D. Copeland

Colorado Springs Corps No. 4.

COLORADO SPRINGS.

President	Marion Sutton*
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"	Lucy F. Wheeler
Delegate	Irean DeTolivar*
"	Lydia Ellison
Alternate	Addie Huff
"	Jennie Dunnington

T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5,

GOLDEN.

President	Sarah Russell*
Past President	Mary A. Eldridge*
"	Charlotte R. Coe*
Delegate	Carrie Carpenter*
"	Elie Tripp*
Alternate	Mary Williams
"	Jennie Jones

George G. Meade Corps No. 6,

DENVER.

President	Annie E. Babbitt*
Past President	America Anderson
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"	Libbie K. Daniels*
"	Parthenia McBeth*
"	Emma Smiddle*
"	Elizabeth Peabody*
"	Alice Smith*
"	Fannie D. Hardin*
"	Lyda E. Dunagan*
Delegate	Anna M. Miller*
"	Ella M. Byers*
"	E. V. L. Beggs*
"	Nancy Cowell*
Alternate	Mrs. Icher
"	Ella Murden
"	Hannah Starbird
"	Louisa Platt

E. V. Sumner Corps No. 7,

SILVER CLIFF.

President	Julia Doyle
Past President	Carrie McNeely
"	Kate Brewer
"	Myra B. Lawrence
Delegate	Mary Mathews
Alternate	Harriet McEowens

Jas. A. Garfield Corps No. 8,

LEADVILLE.

President	Hattie Bunn*
Past President	Della L. Kelsay*
"	Camilla S. Fair*
"	Fusie J. Searl*
"	Maria D. Wolcott
"	Nettie S. Harker*
Delegate	J. L. Dickey*
"	Ella Hanson*
"	Eva Ballinger*
"	Emma Brown
Alternate	Bella Hamilton*
"	Emma Hobbs
"	Josie Gaylord
"	Maggie Telfer

J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9,

CHEYENNE, WYOMING.

President	Mary F. Hader*
Past President	Hattie Cowhick
"	May Maynard
"	Emily E. O'Brien*
"	Theresa A. Jenkins*
Delegate	Jennie Day*
"	Delia A. Swan
Alternate	Emma Parmenter
"	Louisa Artist

Gen. Sheridan Corps No. 10,
NEW CASTLE.

(Organized January 12, 1894)

President.....Eva Trimble
Past President.....Ellen Hahn*
Delegate.....Emma Anderson
Alternate.....Laura Sutherland

North Fork Corps No. 11,
HOTCHKISS.

(Organized July 2, 1894)

President.....Mary A. Miller
Past President.....Mary A. Miller
Delegate.....Laura Wilmot
Alternate.....Gertrude Duke

Gunnison Corps No. 12,
GUNNISON.

President.....Sarah E. William*
Past President.....Judith F. Woodward
".....Eugenia Olney*
".....Jessie Purrier
".....Emma Martin*
".....Mar-a La Count*
Delegate.....Hattie Foster*
".....Fannie Whipp*
Alternate.....Ann Bird
".....Louisa Miller

Casper W. Collins Corps No. 13,
RAWLINS, WYOMING.

(Organized April 3, 1895)

President.....Minnie Kingsford*

Veteran Corps No. 14,
DENVER.

President.....Edith M. Newland*
Past President.....Olive Hogle*
".....Janette L. Todd*
".....Emily R. Cohen
".....Mary J. Handyside*
".....Salome Jones*
".....Lucy M. Capron*
".....Persis Arnold*
Delegate.....Susie Waters*
".....Anna Hunt*
".....Jennie Jones*
".....Emma Johnston*
".....Anna McIlvane*
".....Christina Voght*
Alternate.....Fannie Ladd
".....Mary West
".....Malvina Greenfield
".....Viola Pancoast
".....Eudora Hight
".....Arena Fair

U. S. Grant Corps No. 15,
GREELEY.

President.....Climantine Hawes*
Past President.....Emily A. Jones*
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".....Climenta G. Howard*
".....Jennie G. Harper*
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".....Kate E. Hanna
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".....Mabel Crouter*
".....Edith Williams*
Alternate.....Achsah B. Dresser
".....Therese S. Welch
".....Jennie Brockway
".....Sue M. Thompson

Geo. B. McClellan Corps No. 16,
DELTA.

(Organized Feb'y 9, 1895)

President.....Nettie L. Bailey

Grand Junction Corps No. 17,
GRAND JUNCTION.

President.....Adelia Dittman
Past President.....Ella B. Ackerman
".....Harriet E. Abbey
".....Adelia Dittman
Delegate.....Elizabeth Bartlett*
Alternate.....Dora Steele

R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18,
FT. MORGAN.

(Organized March 29, 1895)

President.....Matilda J. Hotchkiss

Winfield Scott Corps No. 19,
ASPEN.

President.....Olive M. Bacon
Past President.....Hannah R. Johnson*
".....Gwendoline Powell
Delegate.....Margrette McLuskey
".....Marine Karnes
".....Stella Connors
Alternate.....Maggie Turley*
".....Irene L. B. Fitch*
".....Mary A. E. Cannon

Custer Corps No. 20,
LARAMIE, WYOMING.

President.....Olivia Peale
Past President.....Sarah W. Pease
".....Anna Bristol
".....Lida Fitch
".....Adda Ulen*
".....Anna B. Holliday*
Delegate.....L. F. Sawin
".....Mary E. Ingersoll*
Alternate.....Maria Baillie
".....Annie Burke

Reno Corps No. 21,

DENVER.

(Organized April 22, 1895)

President..... Mrs. Lucy Capron*

W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24,

EVANS.

President..... L. A. Harrott*

Past President..... Lydia C. Young

" " " Maggie McCain*

" " " Nellie S. Flint*

Delegate..... Vina Leroy

Alternate..... Mary J. Evans

Thornburg Corps No. 25,

GEORGETOWN.

President..... Gussie Young

Past President..... Carrie E. Phillips

" " " Edna Hood

Delegate..... Margaret Butler

Alternate..... Sarah Burkholder

S. V. P..... Hannah V. King*

Geo. H. Thomas Corps No. 26,

FORT COLLINS.

President..... Franc Stannard

Past President..... Olivia Mandeville*

" " " Elnora Baker

" " " Sarah Stephenson*

" " " Ida E. Seckner*

Delegate..... Ella Walsh*

" " " Martha Fisk*

Alternate..... Ida Warren

" " " Theodosie Van Brunt

Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27,

BOULDER.

President..... Kate O'Brien*

Past President..... M. Berwick Anderson

" " " Laura S. Dodge

" " " Isa E. Crosby*

" " " Emma D. Adams*

Delegate..... Clara L. Whitney

" " " Etta Coan*

" " " Iren Carrie*

" " " Laura Yates*

Alternate..... Sarah A. Rosier

" " " Mary A. Bartlett

" " " Alice Sanborn

" " " Virginia Feeny*

Battle Mountain Corps No. 29,

RED CLIFF.

President..... Clara F. Pierce*

Past President..... Rosella Goodrich*

" " " Josephine Mays

" " " Dora Greiner

" " " Fannie McCabe

Delegate..... Hattie Gay*

Alternate..... Elizabeth Burrage

Kit Carson Corps No. 31,

LAMAR.

President..... Clestia Barker

Past President..... Carrie Cooper

" " " Louisa Seebarger

" " " Ellen Billow*

" " " Eliza Wright*

" " " Edna Gould

Delegate..... Maud Stewart*

Alternate..... Minnie Doughty

McPherson Corps No. 32,

LONGMONT.

President..... Emily Beckwith*

Past President..... Mary L. Carr*

" " " Eva G. Coffin*

" " " Ophie E. Bacon*

" " " Mary E. Smith

Delegate..... Julia D. Coffin*

" " " Ellen J. Wheatley*

" " " Christina Hollister*

Alternate..... Susie C. McGuire

" " " Mattie E. Minor

" " " Sarah J. Richart

Kilpatrick Corps No. 34,

LA JUNTA.

President..... Maggie M. Lane

Past President..... C. Davis

" " " Nellie E. Brooker

" " " Catherine Jones

" " " Helen Manly

Delegate..... Jennie Ferrel

Alternate..... Hattie Closson*

Akron Corps No. 36,

AKRON.

President..... Glenn Langley

Past President..... Nellie L. Bailey

" " " Martha Ailkin

Delegate..... Harriet R. Stephenson

Alternate..... Nola Bee*

E. M. Stanton Corps No. 37.

SALIDA.

(Re-organized January 29, 1895.)

President..... Margaret Delo*

Pike's Peak Corps No. 39,

MANITOU.

President..... Irene Elerick

Past President..... Christina Thornton

" " " Nettie Barker

" " " Francis Johnston

Delegate..... Katie L. Sahrbeck*

Alternate..... Alice Barney

M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40.

DENVER.

President.....Emma Scrivener*
 Past President.....Dorcas Hassen*
 " ".....Lucy M. Campbell*
 " ".....Emma Scrivener
 Delegate.....Alice A. Easton*
 ".....Myra Peterson*
 Alternate.....Sara E. Blanchard
 ".....E. E. Humphries

Phil. Sheridan Corps No. 41,

BUENA VISTA.

President.....Eliza J. Norton
 Past President.....Mary E. Campbell*
 " ".....Julia W. Logan*
 Delegate.....Helen Harrington
 Alternate.....Elmira Allen*

Geo. Washington Corps No. 42,

DENVER.

President.....Almeda Kellogg*
 Past President.....Lou Faust*
 " ".....Anna W. Phillips*
 " ".....Anna E. Cline*
 Delegate.....Debra Mosher*
 Alternate.....Sarah A. Moody

Joe Hooker Corps No. 43,

MONTE VISTA.

President.....Effie B. Aldrich
 Past President.....Eliza F. Sickles
 " ".....Mary Anson
 " ".....Nettie Lewis
 Delegate.....Lydia Fulton
 Alternate.....Almira A. Page

Holyoke Corps No. 44,

HOLYOKE.

President.....Mary Morris
 Past President.....Lizzie Reynolds
 " ".....Julia White
 Delegate.....
 Alternate.....

John C. Fremont Corps No. 45,

LITTLETON.

President.....Inez B. Hill*
 Past President.....Anna Beckwith
 " ".....Carrie Rogers
 " ".....Mary E. Cozens*
 Delegate.....Anna E. Chatfield*
 Alternate.....Dora Horton

Major Anderson Corps No. 46,

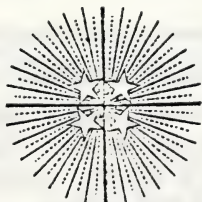
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President.....Mary Johnson*
 Past President.....
 Delegate.....Elnora Brown
 Alternate.....Josephine Hurlbert
 ".....E. Brown*

Phil. Kearney Corps No. 47,

PLATTEVILLE.

President.....Mary M. Hiltibiddle*
 Past President.....Emily Beeman*
 Delegate.....Sarah J. Kline
 Alternate.....Elvira E. Celly



Eleventh Annual Convention OF THE WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

TUESDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps met in the club rooms of the Albany hotel, Denver, Colorado, April 30, 1895.

At 10 a. m. the Department President, JEANETTE L. TODD, called the convention to order. The president then announced that it would be an open session. It was opened by prayer by Past Department Chaplain Mrs. America Whist.

The National President, MRS. EMMA R. WALLACE, and her mother, Mrs. Gilson, were escorted to the platform by Mrs. Mary L. Carr and Mrs. Margelia E. Hamilton, introduced and saluted by the entire delegation.

The address of welcome was then given by MRS. IDA DELANGE, of Farragut Corps No. 1, as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND DELEGATES:—It is with great pleasure I welcome you to this, our beautiful city. We greet you with sisterly love; we welcome you for your renewed loyalty to our brave comrades, their widows and orphans.

Since our last meeting, time, in its ceaseless onward tread, has added another cycle to the history of the Woman's Relief Corps, and we are gathered here to-day to verify the work accomplished during its passing months. We have gathered into our ranks earnest, true and noble women, whose hearts

and souls are devoted to the work of lifting the mantle of gloom and desolation and despair from the hearts of those in affliction and distress. There can be no nobler work than this—the patriotism of the Woman's Relief Corps. There is a spirit of earnestness and enthusiasm throughout our order, but it is by no means equal to the demands upon us. Many have needed help this year who have never called for aid before. We have done what we could, but our numbers should be doubled. There are many loyal women all about us, who thoughtlessly look on and do not realize that there has come to them the one grand chance in all the ages to minister to the heroes who saved our country from utter destruction.

Again, in behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps of this city, I welcome you. May the spirit of harmony, the spirit that looks above and beyond the ambitions and faults of the hour, be with us in all we do. May our hearts be devoted to all the grand interests of the order, and when the hour of our separation comes may we all feel stronger, better and happier women, and still better prepared to continue the noble work which it is our privilege and honor to call our own.

Response by MRS. ANNA B. HOLLIDAY, of Custer Corps No. 20, as follows:

SISTERS OF DENVER:—We realize that you have long been preparing for our coming. We know what an undertaking it is to arrange for such a gathering as this, and on behalf of the delegates of this convention let me assure you that you have our warmest appreciation and our heartfelt thanks for your successful efforts.

"When gratitude o'erflows the swelling heart,
And breathes in free and uncorrupted praise
For benefits received, propitious Heaven
Takes such acknowledgment as fragrant incense,
And doubles all its blessings."

The pleasant faces that looked into ours, the warm hand-clasps and kindly words of greeting from those who met us on our arrival in this marvelous City of the Plains, have called forth from the heart of each representative of our noble order love's holiest offspring—gratitude; and, before we turn our steps homeward, I think we will be able to say, truly our blessings, on this occasion, have been doubled.

We are gathered here from many places. Two vast states are represented in this convention, states whose women are citizens in the fullest sense of the word; and, go where we will in this department, we are still in the life-giving atmosphere of our grand old mountains. Then let each one of us say with Thoreau:

"As a true patriot I should be ashamed to think that Adam in Paradise was more favorably situated, on the whole, than a backwoodsman in this country."

So, with our senses quickened by this mountain air and our courage strengthened from being brought into touch with nature, as we are in this favored land, let us work with a purpose. Let us consecrate ourselves anew to "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty." May each one of us go from here with a deeper veneration for the old soldier, a more tender regard for the flag he fought to save, and a renewal of vows to both. Thus we may make this convention the best in the history of this Department, and those to whom we are indebted on this occasion will know that their labor has not been in vain.

Department President, JANETTE L. TODD, delivered her address as follows:

OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION:

—On July 25 and 26, 1883, a small number of patriotic women met in our own city for the purpose of organizing the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic. Sixteen states were represented at that time. Here was perfected the National Organization with fifty-seven charter members. From that small beginning we now number one hundred and forty thousand, and are represented in thirty-seven Departments and forty-one States; there are, also, fifty-four detached Corps. At the time of organization, there was not one dollar in the treasury; since then there has been expended in relief for the needy veteran and his dependent ones, \$1,013,560.20.

April 17 and 18, 1890, the Sixth Annual Department Convention was held here with a membership of six hundred and three; to-day we are assembled here again with a membership of thirteen hundred and seventy-three. The charter members that have watched the growth of our Order from its inception, must feel gratified at the results.

We have met to give an account of the work done in the past eleven months, and to wisely legislate for the work in the future. When at the Tenth Annual Convention you elected me to the highest office in your gift, I did not return thanks for the honor conferred. A feeling of sadness came over me when the result of the ballot was announced; I was thinking of the outlook for the Woman's Relief Corps; could you have read my thoughts, you would have sympathized with me. I felt it was to be a hard year for the Corps. Many members that were luke-warm would drop out, owing to the stringent times; for the same reason Corps would disband, and it was not expected that we would organize any new ones.

In some of my dark forebodings, I have been happily disappointed. We have not had a delinquent Corps, nor one disband. I have given my thoughts as much to the weak Corps that need strengthening and encouraging, as I have to organizing new ones. I feel that the old adage: "A penny saved is as good as a penny earned" would apply to Relief Corps. When a Corps disbands, the members are discouraged and do not care to join the Order again. The influence they exert over others is not what we would like to have it many times. I hope my successor will give to the weak Corps her support, and encourage them to keep on in the good work. I have had one serious thing to contend with: women having been granted the right of the ballot have given most of their time and thoughts to political matters; it has prevented many from joining the Corps. I fear that in some instances some of the members nearly forget the obligation they took to "fill the office to the best of my ability."

At the end of the fourth quarter of 1894, there was a large decrease in the membership; I am happy to say that the reports for the first quarter of 1895, are very gratifying; renewed interest seems to have come with the new year.

ORGANIZING CORPS.

July 2, 1894, North Fork Corps No. 11, Hotchkiss, Colorado, was instituted with twenty-seven charter members; Mary A. Miller, president. By vote of Tenth Annual Convention, credit was given my predecessor.

September 9, 1894, I received an application for a charter, accompanied by the usual fee, from the Commander of Steadman Post No. 54, Telluride. Supplies were shipped. I notified

them that I would be there to institute the Corps. At Durango, I received word that they had decided not to organize. Supplies were returned at their expense. Upon investigation, I found it was well they did not organize. Charter fee was retained.

January 29, 1895, Edwin M. Stanton Corps No. 37, was reorganized, with thirty charter members; Mrs. Margaret Delo, president.

February 9, 1895, Geo. B. McClellan Corps No. 16, Delta, Colorado, was organized, with twenty charter members; Mrs. Nellie L. Bailey, president. Too much praise cannot be given Mrs. Bailey for the work she has done for the Women's Relief Corps. I am told this is the fourth Corps she has been instrumental in organizing.

March 29, 1895, R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18, Fort Morgan, Colorado, was organized, with twenty-nine charter members; Mrs. Matilda Hotchkiss, president.

April 3, 1895, Casper W. Collins Corps No. 14, Rawlins, Wyoming, was organized, with sixteen charter members; Mrs. Minnie Kingsford, president. To my aide, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, I am indebted for the organization of this Corps.

April 22, 1895, Reno Corps No. 21, Denver, Colorado, was organized, with seventeen charter members; Mrs. Lucy M. Capron, president.

April 27, 1895, Mulligan Corps No. 22, Springfield, Colorado, was organized, with twenty-five charter members; Mrs. Mary E. Cole, president.

SOLDIERS' HOME.

We have now two Soldiers' Homes in our Department; our members in Wyoming are more fortunate than we, as the Home is located in Cheyenne; they can visit it. I am sure they will do all they can for the comfort of the Veterans.

In June, I was appointed Commissioner of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, at Monte Vista, Colorado. I was appointed to fill a vacancy; my term expired on April 3. At the present time we have a Governor who does not think it a proper place for a woman on that Board. I had hoped to see two appointed to fill the vacant places of the Commissioners, whose time expired in April.

While serving on the Board, I had the opportunity of learning much. I found the Grand Army had given to the Home, \$570.35 in cash; the Relief Corps have given in cash \$998.20. If the donations sent direct to the Home had been reported to Headquarters, the amount would be surprising. I have had my heart ache many times for some poor, sick and suffering Comrade. They are well cared for; plenty to eat, a place to sleep, yet it is not home. Upon my arrival, I used to go directly to the hospital. On my first visit there, I found a Comrade lying at the point of death; he could only speak in a whisper; he was moaning and begging to see his wife: "Oh, if I could only see my wife, if I could only talk to her once more before I die." I found the wife resided in Louisville, Colorado, and that the Commander had written her several days before, but had received no reply. I tried to console him by saying that she might arrive on the next train. I did not feel the Comrade could live an hour. To my surprise he was alive when I was ready to leave the Home. As I went in to bid them good-by, I did not linger at that cot for fear of hearing that piteous cry, "Oh, to see my wife once more." I had just left the room when the nurse came and said he wished to see me. I went to his bedside, and there resolved if there was any way the wife could reach him, she should do so. I asked the physician if he could live until she reached there. He informed me he was slowly starving to death with stomach trouble; he might survive some time. I reached home at 10 o'clock a. m.; my husband was at the depot to meet me; I told him how I was troubled, and asked him if he was willing I should go to Louisville that morning. He said if I would go home, he would see what he could do. At four o'clock she was in Denver; at seven o'clock, President Root and I saw her aboard the train on her way to see her dying husband. I am pleased to say she was with him some time before his death. President Root secured a ticket for her to the Home. Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, paid her fare back to Denver.

I feel it is our duty to work unitedly, and never cease working until we have a Home established where husband and wife can go together to spend their last days. We are living in a progressive age. Are we progressing when the defenders of our country, aged and decrepit, no longer able to earn a livelihood, can find a Home, at the expense of the State or Government,

only to be separated from loved ones, to spend their last days crying for wife or children?

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

The committee have been faithful. The amount of good done by them is known only by Him who knoweth all things. In my opinion, the Department Relief funds should not be used where there are Posts or Corps. It should be kept for those that are appealing to us from a distance. Letters are often received saying: we have nowhere else to look for aid. Take into consideration that the source of revenue for the Relief Fund is ten per cent. of the *per capita* tax, you will see we receive about \$19.00 every three months. The amount is so small, calls so numerous, that it is hard for the Relief Committee to give the needed assistance.

GENERAL ORDERS.

I find many Corps Presidents pay very little attention to "General Orders;" passing them by with one reading, often failing to take notice of things that require action taken upon at once. The expense of printing and mailing is quite an item in our expenditure. They are issued for our instruction, and should be carefully read and obeyed.

INSPECTION.

The large territory to be traveled over, the duties of the Department Inspector are arduous; feeling that we must make the expense as light as consistent with thorough inspection, the Inspector and I counselled together. The Assistant Inspectors were appointed from different parts of the State, hoping to prevent going over the route the second time. Owing to circumstances over which we had no control, our plans were not carried out, making inspection cost more than we had calculated upon. All but two Corps were inspected. Akron Corps was assigned to me; I fear I shall have to report: failed to do my duty.

FINANCES.

It has not been my study how to save the funds as much as how to expend it judiciously. Wherever I thought it was for the good of our Order, it has been used, and, I trust, wisely. As we are increasing in corps, our expenses will increase also. Our bill for stationary is larger than last year, yet we have none left, showing that our correspondence is increasing.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I have not had the pleasure of visiting all the Corps in the Department, I hoped to if I could secure free transportation. I am indebted to Comrade Vaughn for his efforts to secure it for me. He drew up a petition, had it signed by the mayor and entire city council; it was presented at the meeting of the Passenger Association, and referred back to me with regrets that they could not comply with the request. I visited as many Corps as I thought advisable. I have received kindness and consideration everywhere. Nearly all the Posts and Corps had a camp-fire in the evening. If time did not forbid, I would like to tell of the enjoyable time had at each one. I will briefly mention but one, that at Leadville: Department Commander Rollins and some two hundred old Veterans, gathered around the banquet table where the flow of wit and coffee lasted until the "wee sma' hours." I attended the National Convention at Pittsburg.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

First—I would recommend that hereafter, in making out election returns, that Past Corps Presidents transferred be reported in the Corps they hold their membership, as transferred from the Corps they formerly belonged to, and their names be dropped from the Corps they were transferred from.

Second—That a committee be appointed to introduce the "Flag Salute" into all schools not using the same.

Third—That a committee be appointed and instructed to procure a glass case for the Department Banner, said banner to be placed in the G. A. R. room at the capitol building.

TO MY ASSOCIATE OFFICERS.

It would give me much pleasure to mention each one and tell you of the many acts of kindness they have shown me, the kind and cheering words spoken at all times. I have never felt weary in well-doing, owing to the cheerful support accorded by all.

My counselor has been my guiding star; when the little annoyances would arise, I have felt half the burden removed in writing to her, knowing I would receive not only the best of advice but kind and cheering words. I have not shed a tear over any annoying thing that has taken place during my admin-

istration. I have come very near many times of late upon the receipt of loving letters, I found them very hard to suppress; upon the receipt of a letter from Mrs. Dodge, counselor, saying: "I have passed through a hard struggle, knowing it would be imprudent, owing to ill health, for me to go to the Convention, yet it seemed as though I could not give it up. I have and shall follow you with my thoughts and best wishes."

I have made mistakes; I thought I was doing for the best, when too late I saw my error. I have served you faithfully and conscientiously, not knowingly neglecting one duty.

I thank you for the honor conferred upon me, and my prayer will be that you may never regret having done so.

It was moved and carried that messages of greeting be sent to the absent Past Department Presidents, Mesdames TELFORD, HENDERSON, ANDERSON and DODGE.

Committee on Greetings, appointed, were MRS. MARY L. CARR, MRS. KENNEDY and MRS. WHIST.

The following Conductors were appointed: Miss EDNA HAMILTON and MRS. ALICE JOHNSON.

Guards appointed were SARAH WALDO and ROSE CARTER.

Credential Committee appointed, were OLIVE C. BUTLER, MARGELIA E. HAMILTON and LUCY M. CAMPBELL.

Committee on Courtesies, MRS. HANDYSIDE, GOODRICH and SARAH CALVERT.

After a short talk from Comrades ESSINGTON and TODD, it was moved and seconded that we adjourn, to meet at one o'clock for a short session. Carried.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at one o'clock p. m.

First order of business was the seating of the delegation. Roll call by the Secretary. Number present, 146.

The Credential Committee reported number of credential cards presented, 129.

Report of Senior Vice President, HANNAH R. JOHNSON, was read:

ASPEN, COLORADO, April 29, 1895.

TO OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Senior Vice President of this Department:

I have ever held myself in readiness to assist the Department President, "by counsel or otherwise," as I find the Rules and Regulations define my duties to be, but so ably has she filled her office and conducted the affairs of the Department that my help has not been required, and, therefore, in that line. I have nothing to report.

I was appointed Assistant Inspector, and given the Corps of New Castle, Gunnison, and Grand Junction to inspect. The former, being newly organized, was not as well drilled as could be desired, but, with this exception, I found every Corps in good condition, and my trip of inspection was a very pleasant one, in which I renewed old acquaintances and made new ones. In my visits I was everywhere received most cordially, and my suggestions and instructions accepted in the kind and fraternal spirit in which they were given.

In company with the Department President and the President of Grand Junction Corps, I visited the Indian School near Grand Junction, and was much pleased and interested in the arrangements made for the care of these "wards of the Nation," but felt, as we left, that the soldier's widow was to be pardoned for (as she expressed it) sometimes almost wishing her children were Indians, so that the Government would take better care of them, for the pitiful pension granted her was not sufficient to support herself and children in the comforts that these Indian

children possessed. Not that I object to the care of the Indians—the Government should educate and care for them—but the old soldier should rank first in the esteem of our rulers and law makers.

I much regretted my absence from the National Convention at Pittsburg, but it was utterly impossible for me to attend.

With thanks for the honor conferred on me by the Convention of one year ago, and wishing the present one a harmonious and profitable session, I respectfully submit my report, in F., C. & L.

HANNAH R. JOHNSON,
Senior Vice President.

The report of Junior Vice President, CLARA M. HOOPER, was read:

DENVER, COLORADO, April 16, 1895.

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary, W. R. C:

Deeply conscious of the honor conferred upon me by this Department, and in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you, and through you to the Eleventh Department Convention, my report as Junior Vice President:

Immediately on assuming the duties of my office, I notified the Department President of my willingness to assist her in any way she might command my services, and have held myself in readiness at all times to comply with any request she might make of me.

Early in the year I received the "Official Blank," accompanied by the request to investigate, and if possible to organize a Corps in New Windsor, granting full power to institute the same. But as Past Department President, LAURA S. DODGE, and myself, had investigated with that object in view last year, and having found it impracticable, I communicated that fact to the Department President, and the matter was dropped.

Following closely upon this, I received the nomination of Assistant Inspector, by CAMILLA S. FAIR, Department Inspector, which was approved by Department President, to inspect the following Corps:

J. P. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne;
Custer Corps No. 20, Laramie;
W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24, Evans;
Holbrook Corps No. 44, Holbrook;

Which I accepted. The result of this work is included in Department Inspector's report.

By invitation of Department President, I had the pleasure of accompanying her on her official visits to the following Corps:

Farragut	No. 1, Denver;
Geo. G. Meade	No. 6, Denver;
Veteran	No. 14, Denver;
Nathaniel Lyons	No. 27, Boulder;
Geo. Washington	No. 42, Denver;
John C. Fremont	No. 45, Littleton.

Having visited in all twelve Corps the present year.

Finally, I wish to extend my thanks, first of all, to the Department President, for the courteous and kindly consideration from her at all times; also, to the officers and members of the several Corps which I have had the pleasure to meet with socially and officially; and to the General Managers of the roads for granting one-half rates over their lines.

With a kindly thought for all, and a sincere wish that the Order may prosper and grow in usefulness as the needs of the old veteran and their dependent ones claim our protection and our care.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. & L.,

CLARA M. HOOPER.

Department Junior Vice President.

Report of the Department Chaplain, SUSIE J. SEARL, was commenced, but was not finished on account of the parade, and was deferred until Wednesday morning, and the Convention was adjourned to meet Wednesday morning, May 1, at nine o'clock.

The committees appointed to report on the Officer's Reports, were as follows:

President's Address—Mrs. Hattie Bunn, Mrs. Eugenia Olney, and Mrs. Emily O'Brien.

Senior Vice President's Report—Susie J. Searl, Martha A. Dill, and Minnie Kingsford.

Junior Vice President's Report—Jennie McGill, Charlotte R. Coe, and Ellen Hahn.

Chaplain's Report—Mary A. Condit, Anna E. Babbitt, and Margaret Delo.

Secretary's Report—Josephine Cheesman, Millie Bump, and Marion Sutton.

Treasurer's Report—Lettie Kessler, Adda Ulen, and L. A. Harrott.

Inspector's Report—Emma Scrivener, Julia W. Logan, and Ellen Billow.

I. & I. Officer's Report—Lucy M. Capron, Sarah E. Williams, and Kate Sahrbeck.

Counselor's Report—Climentine Hawes, Eliza Wright, and Emily Beckwith.

Delegate at Large Report—Emma Smiddle, Mary L. Hader, and Almeda Kellogg.

Relief Committee's Report—Ella M. Byers, Sarah Stephenson, and Ella Hanson.

Press Committee—Sarah E. Calvert, Isa E. Crosby, and Hester W. Hartzell.

MORNING SESSION.

WEDNESDAY, May 1, 1895.

Convention opened at nine o'clock a. m., in the usual manner, with prayer by MRS. WHIST.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Secretary, and approved as read.

Communications from absent Past Department Presidents were read.

The report of the Committee on Greetings was read by MRS. MARY L. CARR, and the report accepted by unanimous vote.

The report of Department Chaplain, SUSIE J. SEARL, was read:

LEADVILLE, COLORADO, April 30, 1895.

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Department Chaplain, for the year just closing, as required by Rules and Regulations:

It gives me great pleasure to report to this Convention so much interest manifested on Memorial Day, the day set apart to honor our brave heroes who gave their lives for our liberty. Had it not been for a severe storm, the day would have been observed with more than usual interest.

Thirteen Corps report attending Sabbath Memorial Exercises in a body. Number of members taking part in Memorial Day services, 672; representing a membership of 1,273; assisted by over 1,000 children. Number of soldiers' graves decorated, 1,282. Amount of cash expended, \$369.65. All but two Corps report memorials prepared for the unknown dead. Twelve Corps provided refreshments for Posts.

Farragut Corps No. 1, Denver, Colorado; D. C. SWATZEE, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 50; members taking part in Memorial services, 17; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body. Attendance smaller than usual on account of rain.

Upton Corps No. 2, Pueblo, Colorado; CARRIE V. DONALDSON, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 54; members taking part in Memorial services, 25; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body. Great preparations had been made, but owing to the unpleasant day nothing was done. Each Post appointed a committee, and they went through the pouring rain and decorated the graves.

Sedgwick Corps No. 3, Durango, Colorado; FRANCES R. BIGGS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 24; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 12; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 19 soldiers' graves were decorated, 12 children taking part. The exercises were a grand success, notwithstanding the unfavorable weather. Prof. Slocum, of Colorado Springs, delivered the address, and was tendered a reception in the evening by the Woman's Relief Corps.

Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, Colorado Springs; ELIZABETH B. FARRER, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 50; 64

soldiers' graves decorated. Programme omitted on account of rain. Services held at G. A. R. hall, with a small attendance. A very interesting talk by the Department Chaplain.

T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5, Golden, Colorado; HANNAH ERMIN, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 38; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 26; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 24 soldiers' graves decorated. No remarks.

George G. Meade Corps No. 6, Denver, Colorado; ELIZABETH M. ALLEN, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 118; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 38; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 75 soldiers' graves decorated. No children assisted on account of rain. The day was never observed with more patriotism. Many turned out in the rain to do honor to our dead heroes.

E. V. Sumner Corps No. 7, Silver Cliff, Colorado; TABITHA PERKINS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, omitted; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 19; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 25 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 44 children. No remarks.

James A. Garfield Corps No. 8, Leadville, Colorado; LUOY H. SMITH, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 70; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 40; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 115 soldiers' graves decorated by a delegation from Post and Corps. No parade on account of severe snow storm, although great preparations had been made. Comrade N. ROLLINS delivered the address, after which the W. R. C. served lunch for the Post, Sons of Veterans and Drum Corps.

J. F. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne; ELLA ELLSWORTH, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 33; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 18; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 37 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by a delegation of children from four schools. The Corps purchased a beautiful flag and presented it to one of the schools of the city. Services were held May 29, in conjunction with the schools and Post, which was largely attended.

Gen. Shields Corps No. 10, New Castle; FANNIE S. MADARIS, Chaplain; reports: Sixteen members, 12 members taking part

in Memorial Day services; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 1 soldier's grave decorated. A large number of children assisted in the ceremonies. Excellent music by the Drum Corps.

Gunnison Corps No. 12; JEMIMA E. MARSH, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 38; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 12; 18 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 100 children. Sabbath Memorial services was delivered by Rev. Ashby at M. E. Church. Memorial services May 30 at the church by Hon. Thomas Brown.

Veteran Corps No. 14, Denver; CLARA T. RAPP, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 123; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 75; 400 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by six children. Owing to the inclemency of the weather, there was not as large an attendance as usual. The services were beautiful, and an abundance of flowers furnished by the school children of the city. Memorial services well attended and very interesting.

U. S. Grant Corps No. 15, Greeley, Colorado; THERESA C. WELCH, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 80; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 35; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 32 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 100 children. Memorial Day service was well attended. The church beautifully decorated. A beautiful bouquet was placed in the floral monument to the unknown dead, in honor of U. S. Grant, for whom the Corps is named.

Grand Junction Corps No. 17, Grand Junction; JENNIE SUMNER, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 31; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 14; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 9 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 100 children. The day was generally observed and Memorial services largely attended. Address by Rev. Foshay. An original essay by Mrs. Telford, and a poem by Mrs. Cross.

Winfield Scott Corps No. 19, Aspen, Colorado; IRENE B. FITCH, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 70; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 40; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 40 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 45 children. No remarks.

Custer Corps No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming; OLIVIA PEALE, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 52; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 30; attended Sabbath Memorial services in a body; 44 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 65 children. A memorial was prepared for Gen. Custer, for whom our Corps is named. An entertainment was given in the evening by the Woman's Relief Corps, realizing about \$70.

W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24, Evans, Colorado; NANIA ENNES, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 19; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 14; 9 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 23 children. Refreshments were provided for by the Post. Memorial prepared for the unknown dead. A floral tribute was prepared to the memory of the hero for whom the Post is named, and deposited on the cross for the unknown dead.

Thornburg Corps No. 25, Georgetown, Colorado; EMMA SPRING, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 15; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 8; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 21 soldiers' graves decorated. Owing to the rain, very little was done.

George H. Thomas Corps No. 26, Fort Collins, Colorado; HARRIE A. BUSS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 42; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 36; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 30 soldiers' graves decorated. Large attendance at both Memorial service and Sabbath Memorial service, much interest being manifested.

Nathaniel Lyon Corps No. 27, Boulder, Colorado; L. S. NORTON, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 87; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 50; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 55 soldiers' graves decorated. No remarks.

Battle Mountain Corps No. 29, Red Cliff, Colorado; F. M. THOMAS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 26; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 15; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 11 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 20 children. Memorial prepared for the unknown dead. Services held at the Opera House. Comrade Sterling, of Leadville, delivered the address, particularly to the children. Monument for the unknown dead appropriately decorated.

Kit Carson Corps No. 31, Lamar, Colorado. No report.

McPherson Corps No. 32, Longmont, Colorado; MARY A. ALLEN, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 48; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 35; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 21 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by a large number of children. On each soldiers' grave was placed a flag and many flowers. Great interest was manifested by the citizens.

Kilpatrick Corps No. 34, La Junta, Colorado; CATHARINE JONES, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 16; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 12, assisted by 120 children. Refreshments were provided for by the Post. Although a rainy day, great interest was manifested. Livery men donated carriages for the Corps and little girls.

Akron Corps No. 36, Akron, Colorado; RACHAEL TAGUE, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 14; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 10; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 1 soldiers' grave decorated, 40 children assisted. Services by Rev. B. T. Vincent, of Denver, assisted by Dr. Carfman and Bishop Warren.

Pike's Peak Corps No. 39, Manitou, Colorado. No report.

M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, Denver, Colorado; CARRIE PARSONS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 35; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 10; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 80 soldiers' graves decorated. The rain kept many from attending. Flowers in profusion. Exercises well attended in the evening.

Phil Sheridan Corps No. 41, Buena Vista, Colorado; FAYETTE ALLAM, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 30; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 10; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 20 soldiers' graves decorated, a number of children taking part. Memorial services were postponed until June 1, on account of the storm.

George Washington Corps No. 42, Denver, Colorado; S. A. MOODY, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 44; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 12; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; no children assisted on account of rain. Decorating done by soldiers, Sons of Veterans and ladies of the Corps.

Joe Hooker Corps No. 43, Monte Vista, Colorado; LYDIA FULTON, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 24; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 9; did not attend Sabbath Memorial Day services on account of rain: 25 soldiers' graves decorated, 16 children taking part. A steady rain all day prevented the exercises.

Holyoke Corps No. 44, Holyoke, Colorado; LYDIA JEFFYR, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 25; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 20; attended Memorial Day services in a body; 2 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 75 children. A crowded house at the Baptist Church at Sabbath Memorial services. Citizens generally attended.

John C. Fremont Corps No. 45, Littleton, Colorado; MARTHA HARRINGTON, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 21; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 8; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 9 soldiers' graves decorated, no children participating on account of the storm. No remarks.

Major Anderson Corps No. 46, Harris, Colorado; KATE WILLIAMS, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 16; no members taking part in Memorial exercises; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body. Owing to the unpleasant day, Post and Corps done nothing.

Phil. Kearney Corps No. 47, Platteville, Colorado; SARAH KLINE, Chaplain; reports: Membership of Corps, 15; members taking part in Memorial Day services, 10; attended Sabbath Memorial Day services in a body; 7 soldiers' graves decorated, assisted by 16 children. No remarks.

DEATHS.

The names of deceased members, as forwarded to me, are as follows:

NELLIE ROGERS,
North Fork Corps No. 11, Hotchkiss, Colorado;
died November 1, 1894.

ALICE STOREY,
Akron Corps No. 38, Akron, Colorado;
died June 12, 1894.

MARY S. SHERRELL,
Geo. H. Thomas Corps No. 26, Fort Collins, Colorado;
died October 19, 1894.

ELIZABETH WALLING,
Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colorado;
died December 7, 1894.

FIDELIA ELLIOTT,
John F. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyoming;
died March 17, 1895.

ELIZA A. KEEFE,
John F. Reynolds Corps No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyoming;
died March 27, 1895.

In tribute to the memory of the departed Sisters, many kind and loving words have been said, acknowledging the appreciation of their beautiful character. May we so live that when we are called to the unknown, kind and loving words may be said of us.

Leaves have their time to fall,
And flowers to wither at the cold wind's breath;
But all seasons are thine own, Oh, death.

In closing my report, I wish to extend fraternal greetings to all with whom I have been associated, and to our dear Department President, I extend my sincere thanks for the many kind words I have received from her. I shall always retain pleasant memories of the past two years spent as a Department officer, with the noble women of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

SUSIE J. SEARL,
Department Chaplain.

Memorial Day Report of Department Chaplain W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming, 1894.

NAME OF CORPS.	No. of Corps.	LOCATION	Membership of Corps	No. of Members taking part in Memorial Day services.	Did Corps as a body attend the Sabbath Memorial services?	How many Soldiers' graves were decorated?	How many Children took part?	What Expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post?	Were Flowers provided Post by purchase or contribution?	Was a Memorial prepared to "Unknown Dead?"	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
Farragut	1	Denver	50	17	Yes	13	\$ 40.00	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Upton	2	Pueblo	51	25	Yes	78	5.45	No	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Sedgewick	3	Durango	24	13	Yes	12	11.00	No	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Colorado Springs	4	Golden	30	30	Yes	64	20.00	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
T. H. Dodd	5	Denver	118	39	Yes	74	4.25	No	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Gen. O. Meade	6	Denver	38	23	Yes	23	6.25	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
E. V. Bunker	7	Leadville	79	43	Yes	113	75.00	Yes	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Jas. A. Garfield	8	Cheyenne, Wyo.	33	13	Yes	75	23.00	Yes	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Gen. Shields	9	New Castle	16	11	Yes	1	23	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
Gunnison	10	Denver	38	12	No	18	5.00	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Veteran	11	Grand Junction	123	80	No	400	6	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
U. S. Grant	12	Aspen	80	85	No	32	100	No	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Grand Junction	13	Laramie, Wyo.	31	14	No	9	47.85	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Winfield Scott	14	Aspen	70	40	No	49	45	Yes	Both	Yes	.....	.....
Custer	15	Byram	52	30	No	44	23.00	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
W. T. Sherman	16	Georgetown	19	14	No	9	21	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Thornburg	17	Fort Collins	15	8	No	21	30	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
Geo. H. Thomas	18	Boulder	42	26	No	55	12	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Nathaniel Lyon	19	Leadville	87	50	No	11	12	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
Battle Mountain	20	Lamar	28	15	No	21	10.00	Yes	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
Kit Carson	21	La Junta	48	35	No	1	3.00	Yes	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
McPherson	22	Akron	16	10	Yes	40	8.00	Yes	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
Kilpatrick	23	Maunton	14	10	No	80	30.00	No	Purchase	Yes	.....	.....
Pike's Peak	24	Denver	65	10	No	20	35.00	No	Contributed	Yes	.....	.....
M. N. Crocker	25	Benue Vista	44	12	Yes	23	16	Yes	Contributed	No	.....	.....
Phil. Sheridan	26	Monte Vista	21	9	No	9	4.25	No	Purchase	No	.....	.....
Geo. Washington	27	Holyoke	23	8	Yes	7	1.40	Yes	Purchase	No	.....	.....
Jos. Hooker	28	Harris	16	10	No	13	957	12	Purchase	No	.....	.....
John C. Fremont	29	Flatville	15	10	No	13	957	12	Purchase	No	.....	.....
Major Anderson	30	Flatville	15	10	No	13	957	12	Purchase	No	.....	.....
Phil. Kearney	31	Flatville	15	10	No	13	957	12	Purchase	No

GENERAL REMARKS
BY
CORPS CHAPLAINS.

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..... Much interest manifest
..... Much interest manifest
..... Much interest manifest
..... The day was generally observed
..... Little done, severe storm all day
..... Much interest shown
..... The day was generally observed
..... Much interest in
..... The day was fittingly observed
.....
..... Large attendance
..... Children taking part
..... Citizens generally taking part
..... Citizens generally taking part
..... Small attendance, account of rain
..... Small attendance, account of rain
..... Nothing done, on account of rain

The President announced that MRS. BELLE R. OPP, of Cripple Creek, Colorado, had been sent by those interested in the cause, to learn what steps to take to organize a Corps at that place. She brought recommendations and expressed the desire to become a member of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Application was presented for membership, vouched for by MRS. HOOPER and MRS. TODD, and her initiation earnestly requested.

It was moved and seconded that she be initiated at once. Carried unanimously.

MRS. OPP was accordingly initiated by Department President JANETTE L. TODD.

It was moved and seconded that we proceed to the election of officers at three o'clock, immediately after the exemplification of the Ritual. Carried. --

The report of Department Secretary, OLIVE C. BUTLER, was read and committee appointed:

JANETTE L. TODD,

Department President:

In compliance with the Rules of our Order, I hereby cheerfully submit the report of the membership and condition of this Department for the past year. Time, indeed, has rapidly winged its flight and brought us together to meet and greet the dear sisters of our Order, in this, the Eleventh Convention.

When you assumed the duties of your office, there were in this Department thirty-four Corps, with a membership of one thousand three hundred and fifty-four in good standing.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1894,

GAINS.		LOSS.	
By initiation	53	By death	5
Reinstatement	14	Honorable discharge	26
		Transfer	17
		Suspension	49
Total	67	Total	97
Total Membership for June 30, 1894		1,324	

RELIEF FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1894.

Cash \$ 304.70 Other than money \$ 445.70

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1894.

GAINS.		LOSS.	
By initiation	46	By death	1
Transfer	5	Honorable discharge	6
Reinstatement	19	Transfer	18
		Suspension	96
Total	70	Total	121
Total Membership, September 30, 1894 1,301			

RELIEF FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1894.

Cash \$ 241.31 Other than money \$ 208.40

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1894.

GAINS.		LOSS.	
By initiation	51	By death	4
Transfer	4	Honorable discharge	27
Reinstatement, suspension	30	Transfer	8
Reinstatement, dropped	2	Suspension	63
Total	87	Total	102
Total Membership, December 30, 1894 1,286			

RELIEF FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1894.

Cash \$ 574.68 Other than money \$ 483.00

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1895.

GAINS.		LOSS.	
By Charter	50	By death	2
Initiation	83	Honorable discharge	13
Transfer	4	Transfer	19
Reinstatement, suspension	11	Suspension	17
		Dishonorable	1
Total	153	Total	52

Total Membership, March 30, 1895 1,373

Net Gain for year in Membership 19

RELIEF FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1895.

Cash \$ 588.16 Other than money \$ 545.05

Relief in cash, for the year \$ 1,708.85

Relief, other than cash 1,682.15

Corps expending most cash for relief, Geo. G. Meade No. 6 \$ 202.30

Corps gaining most members, James A. Garfield No. 8 49

Corps having largest membership, Veteran No. 14 109

ROLL OF HONOR FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30.

Farragut.....	1	Upton.....	2
Sedgwick.....	3	Colorado Springs.....	4
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Geo. G. Meade.....	6
E. V. Sumner.....	7	James A. Garfield.....	8
Gunnison.....	12	Veteran.....	14
U. S. Grant.....	15	Grand Junction.....	17
Winfield Scott.....	19	Custer.....	20
G. H. Thomas.....	26	Thornburg.....	25
Battle Mountain.....	29	Nathaniel Lyon.....	27
McPherson.....	32	Kit Carson.....	31
Akron.....	36	Kilpatrick.....	34
M. M. Crocker.....	40	Pike's Peak.....	39
Joe Hooker.....	43	Geo. Washington.....	42
John C. Fremont.....	45	Holyoke.....	44
Phil Kearney.....	47	Major Anderson.....	46

ROLL OF HONOR FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30.

Farragut.....	1	T. H. Dodd.....	5
Colorado Springs.....	4	E. V. Sumner.....	7
George G. Meade.....	6	J. F. Reynolds.....	9
James A. Garfield.....	8	North Fork.....	11
Gen. Shields.....	10	Veteran.....	14
Gunnison.....	12	Grand Junction.....	17
U. S. Grant.....	15	Custer.....	20
Winfield Scott.....	19	Thornburg.....	25
W. T. Sherman.....	24	Nathaniel Lyon.....	27
Battle Mountain.....	29	Kit Carson.....	31
McPherson.....	32	Kilpatrick.....	34
Pike's Peak.....	39	M. M. Crocker.....	40
Phil Sheridan.....	41	George Washington.....	42
Joe Hooker.....	43	John C. Fremont.....	45
Phil Kearney.....	47		

ROLL OF HONOR FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31.

Farragut.....	1	Colorado Springs.....	4
George G. Meade.....	6	James A. Garfield.....	8
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	North Fork.....	11
Gunnison.....	12	Veteran.....	14
U. S. Grant.....	15	Grand Junction.....	17
Winfield Scott.....	19	Custer.....	20
W. T. Sherman.....	24	Thornburg.....	25
Nathaniel Lyon.....	27	Battle Mountain.....	29
McPherson.....	32	Kilpatrick.....	34
Pike's Peak.....	39	M. M. Crocker.....	40
Phil Sheridan.....	41	Joe Hooker.....	43
Holyoke.....	44	Major Anderson.....	46

ROLL OF HONOR—FIRST QUARTER—1895.

Farragut.....	1	Kit Carson.....	31
Upton.....	2	McPherson	32
Sedgwick.....	3	Kilpatrick	34
George G. Meade.....	6	Akron	36
James A. Garfield.....	8	E. M. Stanton	37
U. S. Grant.....	15	Pike's Peak	39
Winfield Scott	19	M. M. Crocker	40
Thornburg	25	Phil Sheridan.....	41
Nathaniel Lyon.....	27	Joe Hooker.....	43
Battle Mountain.....	29	John C. Fremont.....	45
Nortg Fork.....	11	Major Anderson	46
Gunnison	12		

CORPS ORGANIZED.

North Fork	No. 11.....	Hotchkiss	Organized July	2, 1894
E. M. Stanton	No. 37.....	Salida.....	Organized January	29, 1895
Geo. B. McClellan.....	No. 16.....	Delta.....	Organized February	9, 1895
R. A. Cameron	No. 18.....	Ft. Morgan	Organized March	29, 1895
Casper W. Collins.....	No. 13.....	Rawlins, Wyo.	Organized April	3, 1895
Reno.....	No. 21.....	Denver.....	Organized April	22, 1895

During the year, five Department General Orders and three Special Orders have been issued, also seven National Orders have been forwarded through the Department. A copy of the Journal of the Tenth Annual Convention has been sent to all those entitled to receive the same.

In closing this report of the work for the year, I wish to express my gratitude for the courtesy and kindness I have received from my co-workers in the Order. When I came into this office one year ago, I came as a comparative stranger, both to the officers and the work, and I have found that the work of the Department Secretary is not without its annoyances as well as its pleasures.

The coming of the Department Convention to my own city, has given me an opportunity to assist in preparing for the pleasure of our delegates and visitors, and in these arrangements I have faithfully endeavored to do what was possible. In conclusion, I wish to express my appreciation of the honor conferred by my appointment, and for the never failing kindness received at the hands of our beloved President, and the friendship will be ever treasured while life lasts. And now, as the year closes on our labors, may we look forward with the deter-

mination to remain true to our obligations so long as an old veteran or his dependent one lives to need our care.

In retiring from the office, my only regret is that I could not render more service.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

The Guard announced that a delegation from the Ladies' Aid Society and Sons of Veterans were in waiting, to extend greetings to the Ladies of the Convention.

Business was suspended and they were admitted. MRS. MASON, Provisional President, and three of the committee, made a few remarks, showing the objects of the Society, and offering their assistance at any time.

Commander-in-Chief, THOMAS G. LAWLER, and Adjutant-General JONES, and Comrade TODD, of the G. A. R., were then announced and were presented to the Convention.

Commander-in-Chief LAWLER, said:

LADIES OF THE RELIEF CORPS:—It gives me pleasure to look into your pleasant countenances this morning, and realize that we are away out here, and I have had the pleasure of attending so many of the Conventions of the Relief Corps in the different States, and I want to say to you: I have never seen better looking ladies anywhere, but I always think they are about the same everywhere.

As a representative of the G. A. R., I will say we are in full sympathy with your organization and all its aims. We know the work you are performing along the line that we attempted to work after the war, carrying out the great principle of our organization, the principle of Charity.

I remember in Denver when the National Organization was formed; the National Encampments held since that date have never been sorry they admitted the Woman's Relief Corps.

We know the great influence of women. No great work can be carried on without your aid; and I want to say to you that we understand the line of work you are performing, in teaching patriotism to the young, one of the noblest works performed. We believe in the education of the children as the bulwarks of the citizen of the Nation.

Many that are here were the young girls of that period, and we realize that the women who stayed at home suffered ten times more than we did on the field. They did not know the fate of those they loved, or what their condition, while from day to day we knew that we were safe if we were alive.

God bless you in your work, and speed you in your undertaking.

Commander-in-Chief LAWLER was followed by the Adjutant-General in appropriate remarks and good wishes for the success of the Department. The Comrades were presented with the Convention W. R. C. badge.

After which the National President, MRS. EMMA R. WALLACE, with the following well chosen words, presented Department President, MRS. TODD, with a gold watch and chain, from the Department:

What I have to say is a message from these girls of yours, with whom you have been so closely connected during the last eleven months. Mrs. President, they have watched you well, and to-day they ask me to come to you and say: that all during these months in which you have exercised over them a mother's care, they have nothing to complain of, and bring nothing but love tokens; and it is to bind you to their hearts that we give you this love token bound with a golden chain, and as it ticks away each precious second from now until eternity, it shall ever remind you of the months in which you were Department President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

MRS. TODD responded, thanking the ladies for their loving remembrance.

MR. TODD then said a few words, thanking them on his own behalf.

It was moved and seconded that we go to Lincoln Hall for the exemplification of the Ritual. The motion was lost.

It was then moved to reconsider the motion to elect officers in the afternoon, to give the ladies a chance to go to Fort Logan. After considerable discussion, it was decided to adjourn until 1:30, and go on with the regular business.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 1:30 p. m., by the Department President.

The exemplification of the Ritual was given by Veteran Corps No. 14.

Convention was then called to order, with Department President, JANETTE L. TODD, in the chair.

The report of the Department Treasurer, MARGELIA E. HAMILTON, was read:

DENVER, COLORADO, April 27, 1895.

To OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

MADAM:—In compliance with our Rules and Regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith my Financial Statement for the year ending April 27, 1895.

MARGELIA E. HAMILTON, Department Treasurer.

In Account with the WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS:

GENERAL FUNDS:	Dr.
June 19, 1894, Received from Janette L. Todd.....	\$ 276.80
Received for <i>per capita</i> tax	793.05
Received from sale of supplies.....	313.13
Telluride charter fee.....	5.00
Springfield charter fee	5.00
Refunded by Department Inspectors.....	40.00
Refunded by Department President	6.30
Received for Memorial Day in the South.....	13.00
Received for Monument for Unknown Dead	1.00

Total..... \$ 1,453.28

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To National Treasurer, <i>per capita</i> tax.....	\$ 105.74
To National Treasurer, for supplies.....	283.42
Past Department Secretary and Treasurer's salaries.....	20.00
Department Secretary and Treasurer's salaries	100.00
Postage, Department Officers.....	48.00
Express on supplies from National Treasurer	22.25
Printing, General Orders and stationery.....	51.25
Labels, for Department Treasurer	3.50
Engrossing Charters, express and wrappers.....	7.75
Printing Journals	100.00
Organizing Corps	16.45
Inspection.....	160.65
Department President official visits.....	21.50
Transferred to Relief Fund.....	79.29
Telegrams, express on banner, books, and Journal.....	5.59
Department President car fare, Boulder.....	1.45
Department President expenses to National Convention.....	40.00
Express on banner to National Convention.....	8.65
Memorial Day in the South.....	13.00
Monument for Unknown Dead.....	1.00
Auditing books	4.80
Expenses of Convention.....	45.00
Total.....	\$ 1,137.29

Total amount received.....	\$ 1,453.28
Total amount expended	1,137.29
Balance on hand	\$ 315.99

RELIEF FUND:

	Dr.
Received from Janette L. Todd.....	\$ 37.52
Refunded by Relief Committee .....	.36
Transferred from General Fund	79.29
Donation of Corps for Soldier's Home	220.70
Donation of Corps for W. R. C. Home	82.87
Total.....	\$ 420.76

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By amount paid W. R. C. Home	\$ 82.89
By amount paid Soldier's Home.....	220.70
Paid Department Relief Committee.....	85.00
Total.....	\$ 388.59

Total amount received.....	\$ 420.76
Total amount expended	388.59
Balance on hand	\$ 32.17

SUPPLIES ON HAND:

97 Badges	\$ 38.80
60 Rituals	15.00
16 Service books	4.00
12 Burial and Memorial	1.20
15 Rules and Regulations	1.05
7 Red books	4.55
15 Emblems .....	.45
47 Ode cards .....	.72
34 Transfer cards .....	.68
38 Visiting cards .....	.76
30 Discharge cards .....	.60
6 Bronze Recognition badges	1.50
1 Gold badge	2.50
6 1/4 yards badge ribbon	1.69
279 Arrearage blanks	1.40
94 Corps Treasurer's Bonds	1.88
7 Opening Ode music sheets .....	.70
6 Corps Requisition books	1.20
2 Charters .....	.50
1 Treasurer's Receipt book .....	.50
2 Secretary's Order books	1.00
5 Ledgers	4.50
2 Journals	1.60
2 Cash books	1.80
1 Roll of Membership .....	.90
7 Diagrams of Parliamentary Rules	5.25
2 Electrotypes .....	.60
98 Application for Membership blanks .....	.98
9 Initiation Marches	1.50
209 Invoice of Supplies blanks	1.54
Total	\$ 99.35

DEPARTMENT PROPERTY:

Banners	\$ 275.00
Badges	24.00
Department Treasurer's books	10.00
Trunk	3.00
Seal	7.50
Charter	10.00
Scales	1.50
70 Gilt Seals .....	.45
Service book .....	.50
Charter ribbon .....	.12
Journals	5.00
Total	\$ 337.07

FREE BLANKS:

157 Relief Reports.
150 Secretary's Quarterly Reports.
42 Secretary and Treasurer's Consolidated Reports.
55 Installing Officer's Reports.
22 Assistant Inspector's Reports.
12 Chaplain's Memorial Day Reports.

ASSETS:

Supplies on hand.....	\$ 99.35
Cash on hand, Relief Fund.....	32.17
Cash on hand, General Fund	315.99
Department Property.....	337.07
Total	\$ 784.58

RECOMMENDATION:

That Corps sending for Supplies do not include postage in footings, for postage is not supplies, and as the requisitions and books must agree, it ought not to be included in amount.

And now as I turn over the pocket book of our Department to the care and keeping of my successor for the ensuing year, and remembering, as I do, and all of you must, the financial cloud that has hung over our fair State for the past two years, rendering some communities almost destitute, it is with no small degree of pleasure that I can report the finances in so good condition as I leave them at this time. And as it is conceded by all organizations that the financial showing is, as a rule, an index to its prosperity or failure, I think that in the above statement there is at least room for satisfaction, if nothing more.

To my associate officers in the Department, and all others with whom I have mingled during the year, I tender my sincere thanks for their uniform kindness and courtesy. My relations with them have been of the most friendly and fraternal nature, and I have endeavored to serve all faithfully and promptly.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

MARGELIA E. HAMILTON,
Department Treasurer.

The minutes of the morning session were read and approved.

The report of the Department Inspector, CAM-
ELLA S. FAIR, was read and committee appointed:

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR,
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
LEADVILLE, COLO., April 29, 1895. }

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report of the inspection of the Corps in this Department, for the year ending October 1, 1894:

The wheel of time has again made its circuit, with its many joys and sorrows, and after the lapse of almost a year, we find ourselves laboring "for those we love." Let us hope that this shall be one of the most beneficial sessions ever held. Let us counsel wisely, that we make no mistakes.

When I accepted the appointment of Inspector, I did so fully realizing the duties and responsibilities of the office. I have given the work much time and thought, and have not taken one step without first giving it due consideration. I have endeavored to do by others as I would they should do by me. The mistakes I have made have been those of the head, not the heart, and all I ask is Charity, for "Charity suffereth long and is kind." Some one has said: "To err is human, to forgive divine."

I am sorry to report that E. V. Sumner, of Silver Cliff, has not been inspected. This Corps was on my list, and I intended visiting them after leaving Pueblo; but while at Pueblo, I caught a severe cold, the weather was bad, and I was all tired out, having then been traveling four weeks. As I would have to go thirty-five miles by stage, with the roads in terrible condition, could not make the trip. I thought I would return home, rest awhile and then go, but fate was against me. Shortly after returning home I fell and sprained my ankle, which confined me to the house for nearly two months; my ankle has been so weak ever since that I have not dared to make the journey.

I find there is a great deal of fault found with the manner of our inspection, and some advise adopting the system used by the Grand Army. While I think our form is far from being perfect, I know from conversation with Department Officers of the Grand Army that they are also very much dissatisfied with their method of inspection. While at Lamar, I was told by a member of the Post there, that they had never been visited by a Department Officer, and he thought if they were inspected as the Relief Corps is, it would inspire them with new life, and hoped the Grand Army would adopt our form.

Owing to a little misunderstanding regarding rates, the cost of inspection was more than it should have been, namely, \$120.50.

MRS. TODD, Department President, inspected the following Corps, and below is given her opinion of each:

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista: "The books are accurately kept, and the Corps, though small in number, is doing good work."

Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff: "This Corps has not many calls for aid. They are doing all they find to do with willing hearts and hands. The work of the Ritual is done in such a manner, there was but little to criticise and much to commend."

North Fork No. 11, Hotchkiss: "This Corps has very energetic workers. They have material pledged to build a G. A. R. hall. A lot has been donated, and they hope ere long to be occupying their own hall."

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango: "This Corps is in good working order; the books are well kept. All the members are striving to do their work in a way that will be a credit to themselves and the organization. Being remote, they do not have the pleasure of visiting other Corps and gaining instruction in that way. Time and experience will work for their good."

Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista: "This Corps is very fortunate, as they have no poor among them; I am sure they would be only too glad to help the needy. It is with them as with many others, if there was more work for them to do they would take greater interest and the attendance would be much larger."

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen: "The work of the Ritual was beautifully carried out. Too much praise can not be given for the careful thought and many hours of practice it has required to bring the work so near perfection. I felt I had spent a profitable afternoon."

James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville: "I was delighted with my visit. The largest number of members that it has been my pleasure to see at a Corps meeting for some time. Balloted for and accepted four new members. They have initiated more members since January 1 than any other Corps in the Department. Books correct. The enthusiasm of that meeting will long be remembered."

Akron No. 36, Akron: This Corps was not visited by a Department Officer, but the blanks were filled out by a member of their Corps.

The Department Senior Vice President, HANNAH R. JOHNSON, inspected the following, and below are her views of the different Corps:

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison: "Many of the officers have been changed in the last few weeks. The Secretary does her work very well for the time she has been in office. The books of the Treasurer were not audited for some time, but later it is learned the books were audited by the Committee."

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction: "They have been doing a large amount of relief work in the way of collecting and distributing food and clothing. They had not kept any account of this work until Mrs. Todd, Department President, informed them they were entitled to credit, and they were surprised at the amount they might reasonably claim. All seem to be energetic women, interested in their Corps, and working harmoniously together."

General Shields No. 10, New Castle: "The books, especially those of the Treasurer, were excellently kept; they have worthy women among their number, and if they had more relief work to do would make a very active corps."

CLARA M. HOOPER, Department Junior Vice President, inspected the following, and gives a very encouraging report of each Corps:

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans: "This is one of the smallest Corps, but by no means small in zeal and energy, compared with numbers and the difficulties under which they are compelled to labor; they are really doing more work than many with a larger membership. They can safely be trusted to carry on the good work for the coming year."

Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke: "I found this Corps very much discouraged, owing to failure of crops and some members going away."

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne: "Found them very harmonious, the work being very creditably done. Owing to a misunderstanding, the Committee turned over to Post the proceeds of an entertainment before submitting it to the Corps, thereby losing to them on their books the credit due, namely, \$126 net. I feel they should have credit given them. It is gratifying to the Department and due them to say: J. F. Reynolds is one of

the strong arms of this Order, and a branch of which we are justly proud."

Custer No. 20, Laramie: "This Corps is in a flourishing condition. Officers and members taking deepest interest in the aims and objects of our Order; the exemplification of the Ritual equalled my highest expectation."

I had the pleasure of personally inspecting the following:

Farragut No. 1, Denver: The books of the Secretary and Treasurer were in first-class condition, and the Corps has every appearance of a bright and successful future.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo: I am glad to be able to report that this Corps is gaining in membership. There has been a great deal of trouble with the books, but everything has been straightened out, and I am sure they now understand their books and I look forward to a very prosperous year.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs: The interest increased, and the work of the President, Secretary and Treasurer well done.

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden: The attendance was large and a great deal of interest taken in the work. They have a nicely arranged hall, and the Post is very proud of their auxiliary.

Geo. G. Meade No. 6, Denver: This Corps is next to the largest in the Department, is deeply interested in all the work of the Order, and one could not help but feel they had been benefitted by their visit. I will also mention the grand, good work done by their Relief Committee.

Veteran No. 14, Denver: This is the largest Corps in the Department. As the President was out of the city and did not receive the notice of inspection in time to notify the members, the inspection was in a measure a surprise, but they were not found wanting, as the work was carried on in a most able manner. I wish the inspection of every Corps could be a surprise, as it would give the Inspector a better chance to learn the true condition of the Order.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou: This Corps is small and labors under a great many disadvantages, but they have a few earnest workers who will tide them safely on to a prosperous

future. The work of the Secretary and Treasurer was well done.

Phil Kearney No. 47, Platteville: This is one of the small Corps; several members have gone away and others have to come quite a distance to attend the meetings, but they seemed hopeful for the coming year.

Kit Carson No. 31, Lamar. They are a very bright, enthusiastic little band of women and a great help to the Post. A member of the Post said to me, "This Post would have disbanded long ago had it not been for the Corps; they pay our rent and do everything there is to be done, and we could not exist without their help." What greater compliment could be given?

George Washington No. 42, Denver: George Washington! With such a name; a grand, living monument of goodness and virtue, is it any wonder that the Corps is a bright and shining star in this Department?

Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta: The members of this Corps are interested and would like to do more for the old soldier, but they have no poor to care for; it being a railroad town the people keep coming and going, and it is hard to maintain the membership.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder; In the exemplification of the Ritual this Corps is almost perfect; too much credit cannot be given. It does one's soul good to attend a meeting, and words from me seem useless, as the reputation of Nat Lyon is so well established throughout the Department.

John C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton: An active little Corps, and while the officers are all good, they are to be congratulated on the efficient work of the Conductor.

George H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins: This Corps is in a healthy condition, the standing is good in the city, and they take especially good care of their members in sickness.

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, Denver: A fine Corps with good officers, and a number of active, interested members. I feel sure that they will do good work this year. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are very neatly kept.

Major Anderson No. 46, Harris: This is a small Corps, but they are interested in the cause and I look for good work from them in coming years.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont: The inspection of this Corps was very interesting in many respects. EMMA D. ADAMS, Chairman of the Executive Board, and VIRGINIA FEENEY accompanied me from Boulder, and were present at this meeting. A sham application of ELLEN J. FOSTER was reported on by the Investigating Committee with so much interest that the Inspector was at a loss for some few minutes to decide whether or not she really had made application for membership. McPherson has but few faults and many excellent qualities.

Thornburg No. 25, Georgetown: This is one of the best little bands of women I ever met, every one in herself a jewel. With a membership of only twelve and an average attendance of eight, some members have several miles to go to the meetings. The Post say they could not live without their aid, and I think they have a great deal to encourage them in their noble work.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley: This Corps holds the same position of honor among the members of this Department as does the memory of our immortal Grant in the hearts and minds of a loving people, and words from me seem useless.

I am glad the time of inspection has been changed, as it will make the work much easier in the mountain towns.

I find the Auditing Committee have, in almost every case, done good work, and very much depends upon them, for if they be neglectful of their duty the Corps will not receive the standing they should in the Department.

I heartily agree with some of my predecessors in regard to the careless manner some Corps Secretaries read the General Orders, and I would suggest that more attention be paid to their reading, to enable the members to better appreciate and understand the information contained therein.

The inspection of this Department shows an increased interest in carrying out the work of the Ritual in a proper manner. I am also glad to note that the work of the Secretary and Treasurer is well done in almost every instance.

Thornburg No. 25, Georgetown, has the best average attendance.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, largest amount expended for relief.

Veteran No. 14, Denver, has the largest membership.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming, has the largest amount turned over to Post.

Total membership of Corps.....	1,322
Number of Corps on October 1, 1894.....	35
Total number of meetings.....	917
Average attendance of officers.....	7
Average attendance of officers and members.....	14

Number of Rituals complete in all but two Corps.

Amount charged for initiation without badge, \$1 in every Corps except Custer, Laramie City, which is \$1.50.

Cash expended in relief.....	\$1,630 67
Relief other than money.....	1,719 94
Turned over to Posts.....	358 00
Total amount relief.....	\$3,963 61

I am glad to note that several of the Corps have taken steps to have the flag salute introduced in our Public schools. I hope before another year, that in every town in this Department the little citizen will salute the noble banner of the free. How can we, my sisters, take up the noble work of the Grand Army of the Republic in any better way than to teach the new generations to love and venerate the flag for which their fathers fought and died? In this connection the Woman's Relief Corps will ever find a work to do, and as the years glide by, we cannot but feel that ours has been a grand work, as we see the children of our land grow into a better citizenship than they have to-day, by being taught to love the "Star Spangled Banner." We are told that "woman holds the power of moulding minds and shaping destinies." If this be true, let us be very careful that the minds that we influence be made to love our noble Grant, our immortal Lincoln, and last, but not least, the beloved Father of our Country, Washington. Who does not feel the pulse of patriotism when we hear the lisping voices of our little ones saying, "We give our heads, our hearts and our hands to our country; one country, one language and one flag." The lessons thus taught will stand as a living monument.

I think it is the duty of every member of the Woman's Relief Corps to impress upon the children of their families and neighborhood that they are little citizens of this great American Republic, and upon them rests a great responsibility. And will we not all be benefited, when from our souls we say, "My country first, last and forever." Let us, mothers, do our duty now to our children, and have the flag salute in every school in Colorado and Wyoming.

I wish to thank those with whom I have been associated during the past year, for the many courtesies received. To the Assistant Inspectors, I am greatly indebted for the faithful and prompt performance of their duty.

And to our President, JANETTE L. TODD, who honored me with the appointment of Inspector, I wish to express my heartfelt thanks for her many, many kind words of counsel. And as she lays down the work of the year just past, we all unite in saying, "Well done."

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

CAMILLA SMITH FAIR,
Department Inspector.

Report of the I & I. Officer, LAURA MASON, was read:

OFFICE OF I. AND I. OFFICER,
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, W. R. C., }
PUEBLO, COLO., April 28, 1895.

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM—I respectfully submit my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer, with consolidated reports from Assistant Instituting and Installing Officers for the years 1894 and 1895.

Farragut No. 1, Denver, January 5: President, Minnie L. Benson; Installing Officer, Mary A. Condit. Past Corps President reports a joint installation with the Post.

Upton No. 2, Pueblo, January 5: President, Millie Bump; Installing Officer, Laura Mason. Department Instituting and Installing Officer reports installation with invited friends, after which lunch was served and a social time enjoyed by all.

Sedgwick No. 3, Durango, January 10: President, Lizzie H. Tiffany; Installing Officer, M. H. Copeland. Joint installation with the Post.

Colorado Springs No. 4, Colorado Springs, January 1: President, Marion Sutton; Installing Officer, Lucy F. Wheeler, Past Corps President. Installation joint with Post.

T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden, January 12: President, Sarah Russell; Installing Officer, Janette L. Todd, Department President. Joint installation with the Post.

George G. Meade No. 6, Denver, January 7: President, Anna E. Babbitt; Installing Officer, Fannie D. Hardin. Public and joint installation with Meade Post.

E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff, January 16: President, Julia Doyle; Installing Officer, Carrie McNeely, Past Corps President. Installation private.

James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville, January 3: President, Hattie Bunn; Installing Officer, N. Rollins, Department Commander. Public installation.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne, January 4: President, Mary Hader; Installing Officer, Emily E. O'Brien, Past Corps President. Installation private.

General Shields No. 10, Newcastle, January 12: President, Eva Trimble; Installing Officer, Nellie M. Pierce. Report joint installation with the Post.

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison, January 16: President, Sarah E. Williams; Installing Officer, Jessie Sharp Purrier, Past Corps President. Installation private.

Veteran No. 14, Denver, January 3: President, Edith M. Newland; Installing Officer, Mary J. Handyside, Past President. Installation joint with Post.

U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley, January 3. President, Clemontine S. Hawes; Installing Officer, Climena G. Howard. Past Department President reports that by invitation of the Post the Woman's Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans and Daughters of Veterans held a joint installation, after which the Comrades donned white aprons and served their guests with hot coffee and doughnuts. The Sons rolled the carpet from the floor and all enjoyed the dance which followed.

Grand Junction No. 17, Grand Junction, January 11: President, Adelia Dittman; Installing Officer, B. F. Powelson, Past Commander. Installation joint with Post.

Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen, January 5: President, Olive M. Bacon; Installing Officer, Wm. Youngson. Department Senior Vice Commander reports a joint installation with Post 49 and Post 87 and ladies of the G. A. R. as invited guests. The Corps served lunch of cake and coffee, and a general good time was had by all present.

Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming, January 14: President, Olivia Peale; Installing Officer, Adda Ulen, Past President. Installation joint with Post.

W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans, January 3: President, L. A. Herriott; Installing Officer, James L. McCain. Installation joint with Post.

Thornburg No. 25, Georgetown, January 4: President, Gussie Young; Installing Officer, John F. Phillips. Installation joint with Post.

Geo. H. Thomas No. 26, Fort Collins, January 12: President Franc Stannard; Installing Officer, Elenora Baker, Past President. Installation private.

Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, Boulder, January 2: President, Kate O'Brien; Installing Officer, Isa E. Crosby. Past Department Secretary reports installation public with Post and Sons of Veterans.

Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff, January 4: President, Clara T. Pierce; Installing Officer, Dora Greiner. Past President reports installation joint with the Post.

Kit Carson No. 31, Lamar, January 24: President, Celestia Barker; Installing Officer, Carrie S. Cooper. Past President reports installation private.

McPherson No. 32, Longmont, January 1: President Emily Dodge Beckwith; Installing Officer, Mary L. Carr, Past Department President. Installation joint with Post.

Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta. No report.

Akron No. 36, Akron: Glen Langley, President. This report is very incomplete.

Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou, January 12: President, Irene Elerick; Installing Officer, Christena Thornton, Past President. Joint installation with the Post.

M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver, January 5: President, Emma C. Scrivner; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell. Past President reports a public installation with Post.

Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista, January 4: President, Eliza J. Norton; Installing Officer, Mary E. Campbell. Past Corps President reports a public installation.

George Washington No. 42, Denver, January 7: President, Almeda Kellogg; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron, reports joint installation with the Post and Sons of Veterans.

Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista, February 5: President, Effie V. B. Aldrich; Installing Officer, L. H. Cheney. Past Post Commander reports installation private.

Holyoke No. 44, Holyoke, January 12: President, Mary Morris; Installing Officer, M. D. Copp. Installation private.

John C. Fremont No. 45, Littleton, January 2: President, Inez B. Hill; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron, reports a public installation joint with the Post.

Major Anderson No. 46, Harris, January 4: President, Mary Johnson; Installing Officer, J. H. Williams, reports a public installation with Post and families.

Phil Kearney No. 47, Platteville, January 19: President, Mary M. Hiltibiddle; Installing Officer, L. Hiltibiddle, reports installation private.

There have been five Corps organized in the Department during the past year, that have been reported to me:

North Fork No. 11, Hotchkiss, was instituted July 21, 1894, with 27 charter members, with Mary A. Miller, President; John M. Essington, Installing Officer. January 12, Mary A. Miller was installed President. W. F. Sheek, Installing Officer, reports installation joint with Post.

Edwin M. Stanton No. 37, Salida, was instituted January 29, 1895, with 30 charter members. Margaret C. Delo, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Janette L. Todd, Department President.

Geo. B. McClellan No. 16, Delta, was instituted February 9, 1895, with 20 charter members. Nellie L. Bailey, President. Instituting and Installing Officer, Nellie L. Bailey.

R. A. Cameron No. 28, Fort Morgan, was instituted March 29, 1895, with 28 charter members. Matilda Hotchkiss, President. Instituting and Installing Officer, Janette L. Todd, Department President.

Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins, Wyoming, was instituted April 3, 1895, with 14 charter members. Minnie E. Kingsford, President. Instituting and Installing Officer, Anna B. Holliday.

Notwithstanding all that has been said by my predecessors, there is great neglect in making out and forwarding reports of installation to Department I. and I. Officer.

In conclusion, I desire to extend my thanks to Department President, MRS. TODD, for assistance rendered at all times, and to Department Secretary, MRS. BUTLER, for courtesies from her.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

LAURA MASON,
Department I. and I. Officer.

The report of the Counselor was read by MRS. CARR, in the absence of Counselor LAURA S. DODGE, as follows:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

DEAR MADAM:—In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's Relief Corps, I herewith present a report of my work as Department Counselor:

As I anticipated at the beginning of the year, the work of my office has been exceedingly light, almost an "empty honor." The Department President has long been a member of our Order, and is so thoroughly familiar with its Rules and Regulations, that very few questions have been referred to me for decision. We have held several consultations over the work of the Department in general, and if, by my advice and experience in the preceding year, her duties have been lightened, the purpose of my office has been accomplished.

Two questions have come to me direct from Corps Presidents, which is not correct. All questions must be submitted to the

Department President, and by her referred to the Department Counselor, if she is in any doubt as to the correct answer.

The following are the cases referred to me, and my decisions:

1. Must a transfer card be given when asked for? *Ans.* A transfer must be applied for at a regular meeting, and it must be given, unless the applicant is in arrears for dues or there are charges existing against her.

2. Must a Corps which disbands pay *per capita* tax for the current quarter? *Ans.*—ALL indebtedness must be paid before the charter can be surrendered.

3. Mrs. "A." is Senior Vice President of a Corps. The President resigns, and the Senior Vice fills her chair until the following December, when she is elected President. She then resigns and goes to a distant State, but keeps her membership in the same Corps. She returns and insists on being carried on the Roster as a Past Corps President, and also entitled to a seat in the Department Convention. Is she entitled to either? *Ans.* She is not. She was not entitled to the rank of President until elected to that office. Her resignation as President before her term of office expired, deprived her of the rank and honor of a Past President.

4. How is a vacancy in a delegation to the Department Convention filled? *Ans.*—The vacancy must be filled from the Alternates first; after they are exhausted any member of the Corps can be chosen.

5. Can members be compelled to vote on questions to be decided by a vote of the Corps, and in balloting for candidates for membership? *Ans.*—I know of no law by which members can be compelled to vote, but each member should consider it her *duty* to exercise the privilege given her to vote in each case.

6. How are members dishonorably discharged? *Ans.*—A member can be dishonorably discharged, *only* upon due trial and sentence, as provided in Article VII, Chapter V, Rules and Regulations.

, Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

LAURA S. DODGE,
Department Counselor.

MRS. CARR then read a telegram received from LAURA S. DODGE.

The report of Delegate at Large, MRS. GWENDOLINE POWELL, was read by the Secretary:

OFFICE OF DELEGATE AT LARGE,
COLORADO AND WYOMING WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
ASPEN, COLORADO, April 28, 1895.

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

In accordance with the rules of our Order, I submit the following report of the Entertainment and Proceedings of the Twelfth National Convention, held at Pittsburg, September 12, 13 and 14, 1894:

We left Denver, September 7, on the official train, over the Burlington and Missouri route, at 8:15 p. m. I had not been on the train but a few moments, when Comrades Anderson and Youngson came into my car to look me up. After seeing that I was comfortable for the night, expressed the hope of seeing me in the morning. Our first stopping place was at Oxford, where we had breakfast, and met the members of our delegation; the usual courtesies were exchanged, and we had a very pleasant time. The Burlington and Missouri winds its way through a most beautiful country. Our next stopping place was at Lincoln, Nebraska. At 3:00 p. m. we arrived at Omaha, where there was the usual crowd of people, and a great many Comrades got aboard the train. All are heading for the Encampment. The day is cool and pleasant. When morning dawns, we find ourselves in Chicago; and now the most unpleasant thing occurs, for me at least, for I find that while our route brings us together as far as Chicago, where we get a coupon which takes us to Pittsburg and return, I find my coupon takes me a different route, and I must travel alone. I feel very much put out about it, but decide to make the best of it. We arrived in Chicago at 8:30 a. m. As I am not acquainted in Chicago, I decide to go on by the 11 a. m. train, over the Pan-Handle route; the train is loaded with Comrades and their families. Again we pass through a country that is beautiful beyond description, and I am forcibly reminded that the "Earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof," and that a part of His people at least enjoy the fruits of their labor.

We are now passing through Indiana, and stop at Logansport for twenty minutes for dinner; then on again through Ohio, where we see so many pretty little towns. Again it is night, and when morning breaks we find ourselves in Pittsburg. It is raining when we arrive, and after what seems an age the accommodation committee makes its appearance, and they find me quarters out on Penn Ave., near East Liberty. I could not be in a more inconvenient locality, but being entirely alone, I find it impracticable to change, and so remain until the close of the Encampment.

The City of Pittsburgh was most elaborately decorated, and shows up well. There was held at the Monongahela House a reception, by the Indiana delegation, W. R. C., Monday afternoon, from 1 p. m. until 5 p. m. The Headquarters were beautifully decorated, and all who attended it, spoke of it as a most pleasant and enjoyable time. Through the night the storm cleared away, and Tuesday morning the sun shone beautifully. I then came down town and found a part of the Colorado delegation at the Boyer House, on Seventh street; the ladies were out, but Comrade Anderson was there, and he gave me a ticket to the grand stand on Cedar Ave., in Alleghany, where the line of march would pass in review. I had the good fortune to get a seat with some of our delegation, seeing them for the first time since leaving Chicago. We had the pleasure of meeting Gov. McKinley, of Ohio; Gov. Hastings, of Nebraska; and Gov. Pattison, of Pennsylvania. A little time is spent in pleasant conversation before the parade begins. The music sounds nearer, and there is a little flutter of excitement as the first of the procession comes in sight. We sat there five hours and watched the different delegations pass; but to me it did not seem two hours, and words can never express the sad memories that were awakened in the minds of many of us as we saw the tattered battle-flags carried by the New York and Pennsylvania delegations, with others, who had struggled so hard and sacrificed so much to maintain our freedom. As I sat and watched those bent forms, and grizzled heads, and bearded faces, a feeling of regret stole over me, and I felt sorry that I had not the power to do more. I could only resolve to do with my might what my hands would find to do in the future.

Ladies, you who were present, will admit that words are inadequate to describe the different features of that parade in

an article of this kind. It was estimated that there were forty thousand veterans in line. The Pennsylvania delegation was one hour and a half passing the grand stand, and Ohio one hour.

On the evening of Tuesday, there was held at the Old City Hall, a camp-fire. The hall itself is a very dreary looking building, but the whole interior was a glow of color which borrowed brilliancy from the sober garb of the masses of men in the audience, and delicacy from the costumes of the women.

One very pleasant feature of the entertainment, was a couple of recitations by Daisy Little, the mascot of the naval veterans, and the daughter of the regiment.

Wednesday night we went out to the reception at Brinton. The Convention opened in the morning, and in the afternoon all members of the Convention were presented with an invitation, and a beautiful badge, and a ticket which entitled each person to a seat in the cars running between Pittsburg and Brinton. The reception was held at the Westinghouse Brake Manufacturing Co's buildings. The structure itself was a thing of beauty, and the remembrance of it, to many of us, will be a joy forever. As we let our minds go back to that Twelfth Annual National Encampment, and consider what an amount of labor and anxiety the preparation for such an entertainment must have cost those who had it in charge. One of the many grand sights was the fire works sent up from off the water. The parks throughout the city were beautiful beyond description. There were parades every day, but I did not see but two of them myself; the second one was the ex-prisoners of war; there must have been several hundred of them.

Wednesday morning, at ten o'clock, the Twelfth National Convention opened in regular form in the Ross Street Baptist Church; and while the church was commodious and comfortable and withal tastefully decorated, still it was almost impossible to hear any part of the business transacted, and a goodly amount of time was wasted in useless complaints. After calling the roll of National Officers, it was found that Annie Wittenmyer was absent, on account of sickness, and a motion was made that a letter of sympathy be sent her; also greetings to absent honorary members. (Carried.) The President next called the chairman of each delegation to come forward and get badges for their delegation, which was done. When the regular busi-

ness of the Convention was taken up, and the President read her address, which showed that she had given much time and anxious thought to the work. In speaking of contributions to the Southern Posts, at Memorial time, she stated that \$815 had been raised which entitled us to become a part of the "National Council of Women," and that Kate Brownlee Sherwood was elected delegate to the meeting, held at Philadelphia, May 7 and 8, 1894, and said she believed we had entered a larger field of usefulness in uniting with other organizations of the Council, thereby awakening a greater sense of gratitude to the Union Veterans of the civil war, and that the Commander-in-Chief and Adjutant General fully approved of the advanced position of the Woman's Relief Corps in joining the National Council of Women. She commended the patriotic teaching in the public schools. She also stated that she was under special obligation to Mrs. L. A. Turner and Harriet L. Reed for their missionary labors among the colored corps in Florida and South Carolina, during their visits in the South; after which came her recommendations to the Convention, and the close of the address, which as a whole was very interesting; then came the other reports in regular order.

Report of Sadie M. Fisher, Department Inspector, reports inspection of 33 Corps; membership, 1,342; showing a gain of 56 members.

Assistant National Inspector, Alice M. Hardisty, commends the Secretary and Treasurer of the Department for keeping the books so neatly and accurately.

While the reports were being read, the reception committee was announced, and it was moved that they be admitted. The visitors were escorted to the platform and introduced to the Convention. After the usual salute, the committee, with a few well chosen remarks, presented a couple of baskets of flowers to the President, one of which was intended for the Convention; I believe they were presented by Mrs. Dr. Chatman.

As all members of the Convention were provided with a journal of officer's reports, it was moved that we dispense with the reading of all reports except Secretary and Treasurer; next that we do not admit any visitors except Grand Army men. We were asked to suspend business to admit a quartette from Ohio; the Comrades were escorted to the platform and intro-

duced; I failed to get their names; they sang beautiful selections, and assured us of their good will, which was responded to in a proper manner, when they retired. Next, we had another distribution of badges before going to lunch, which was served in the parlors of the church. We then had greetings from detached colored Corps.

Moved by Mrs. Barker that the recommendations in Commander-in-Chief's communication to Woman's Relief Corps, be spread on the records of the National Convention.

It was moved that J. B. Adams be given a vote of thanks for his efforts to assist the Woman's Relief Corps in introducing patriotic exercises in the public schools.

Moved we adjourn for lunch. Carried.

We repaired to the rear of the church, where a most delicious lunch was served by the members of the Corps of Pittsburg, the ladies doing their utmost to make us comfortable, and they succeeded; everything being done in the most orderly manner possible.

At 2:30 p. m., meeting was called to order. Invitations were given to the members to attend a sham-battle and other amusements, at Shindley park. We had another distribution of souvenir badges to delegates.

Daniel C. Ripley, chairman of executive committee, was then admitted, with director of public instruction; after being introduced to the Convention, they launched out in an eulogy to the Woman's Relief Corps, of our National President's untiring efforts in preparing for the entertainment of the visitors. The visitors then retired.

Gov. Pattison, of Pennsylvania, is announced; he had come to witness the exemplification of the patriotic salute, by a band of little girls. While waiting for the children, the Governor, in a manner that cannot fail to enthuse us as a body, expressed warm appreciation of the Woman's Relief Corps, and praised the Order for the work done by it; to which our National Senior Vice President responded in an able and suitable manner; at the close of which the children came in. There were fourteen of them, dressed in white, with tri-colored sashes; then their teacher, Mr. John B. Gordon, takes them through the tactics, or drill, as it is more properly called. The children reflect great

credit on their teacher, and they were warmly applauded by the audience. We all feel that the greatest good that can come to us is to have: one Country, one Language, and one Flag.

It is six o'clock, and we adjourn until nine o'clock Thursday morning.

Thursday, 9:00 a. m., meeting opened in regular form. After the reading of the minutes, the President is presented with a gavel, by the President of the Department of South Dakota, Mrs. Stone.

Invitation from Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic to attend their reception, was accepted; and the ladies recommended to come under the banner of the Woman's Relief Corps. Did not learn the result.

After more routine business, there was presented to the National President a very pretty painting of flowers, by Mrs. Burley, of Massachusetts, which was accepted gratefully, and evidently appreciated the spirit in which it was given.

More visitors were announced: Mrs. John A. Logan and the Adjutant General's wife. The ladies were escorted to the platform, and saluted. The President stating that Mrs. Logan had filled the position of Aide on her staff the past year. After a few remarks, the ladies retired. We then adjourned for lunch, until two o'clock.

At 2:00 p. m. the meeting was called to order. After reading of minutes of previous meeting, greetings were sent to the "Daughters of Veterans." We had roll-call prior to election of officers, and distribution of blanks for voting.

In the interval, Abbie Lynch, Senior Aide, with a few appropriate remarks, presented the National President with a handsome diamond ring. Before the President recovered herself sufficiently to collect her thoughts, the Department President of New York stepped forward and presented her with a Golden Apple, in which was enclosed a check for \$84. The lady was so overcome as to be scarcely able to say anything; but finally, with tears in her eyes, she thanked them for their appreciation of her efforts as put forth in the interest of the Order.

Number of voting members, 285; necessary to a choice, 143.

The Entertainment Committee were anxious to serve lunch on Friday, if Convention was still in session.

Moved, by Annie Wittenmyer, that we accept the courtesy. Carried.

Visitors were announced: Past Commander-in-Chief Wisart; Department Commander, N. Rollins, of Colorado: and Department Commander Palmer, of New York. The visitors were escorted to the platform, and after a few pleasant remarks from Comrade Wisart and Comrade Palmer, the visitors were presented with a souvenir badge and retired.

The President then presented Mrs. Gilson, the mother of our newly elected National President.

Just before the close of the meeting, Thursday afternoon, the Secretary announced that she had invitations to be given to the delegates for a boat ride on the river. That boat ride will be a memorable event to us western people, who so seldom have that privilege of riding on any stream larger than a lake. When I look back, I can scarcely realize that so many forms of entertainment could be crowded into so small an amount of time, even though it was raining on Monday, when the members of the Convention arrived, carriages were in waiting to take them to all parts of the city and to all points of interest. The decorations were so varied and beautiful that none could fail to admire so lavish and grand a display. In talking to a gentleman who was in a position to know the facts in regard to the decorations and entertainments, he informed me that it had cost over one hundred thousand dollars, eighty thousand of which had been donated by the citizens. That we were grandly and royally entertained, scarcely expresses it.

There is much more I would like to say, but I have been warned not to make my report so long as to become monotonous. The Convention was harmonious, each member appearing to be desirous that peace and harmony should prevail.

After the installation of officers, and the reading of the reports of Council meetings, the Twelfth National Convention was declared closed, and the members repaired to their homes, or to visit friends in the vicinity of Pittsburg, or the adjacent country, thereby combining pleasure with duty, the latter appearing more necessary at this time than at any time in the history of our Order, it being more difficult to get one dollar now than it was five eighteen months ago.

My Sisters, I can see that success in these perilous times can only come by a faithful adherence to the principles that we as members of a common cause have pledged ourselves. May we ever be mindful of the debt of gratitude we owe those for whom we are laboring, and look for our reward from Him who hath said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these, my brethren, ye have done unto me."

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

GWENDOLINE POWELL,
Delegate-at-Large.

Mrs. EMMA R. WALLACE, National President, then said a few farewell words, thanking all for their attentions to herself and mother, bidding them God speed, and hoping to see a large delegation to Louisville at the National Convention.

Mrs. EMMA R. WALLACE's remarks:

How pleasant it is to me to be here with you, and I shall always remember the Department of Colorado and Wyoming as a band of earnest women working for the cause we love so well. Now, my girls, there are a great many things I would like to say to you, but I am going to ask you to remember one thing, that you are on the eve of a matter which comes once a year, the election of officers.

I know Colorado has many bright, bright women, and they can only be entitled to one Department President, and sister members, I beg of you that when the vote shall have been counted, and you will have voted as you like, the one who does not get the vote, and her friends, will be the supporter of the one that does.

It is only a little time, and it rolls around again, and sometimes a member who is defeated, if she proves a true woman, makes by the defeat; and I ask you to fill your hearts so full of love that whatever may come to you personally, you will lay it upon the altar and start out and give your best interests to all. I have no doubt you will do that. I have never heard one word of discord in Colorado and Wyoming, but I always feel like holding my breath when election time comes.

Your National President holds out her hand to the one who is elected, pledging to her the support of the National body for the rest of the year.

At Louisville, in September, comes the Thirteenth National Convention. Colorado is entitled by its Past Department Presidents and present officers and delegates, to quite a large delegation. I trust you will come full handed, and the National President pledges to you that you will sit where you can hear.

I shall often sit down and think of this town filled with earnest faces, and I shall always remember the cordial handshake of these earnest women, banded together under the old flag; and now, good bye.

Convention then adjourned to meet at 9:00 a. m., Thursday, May 2.

MORNING SESSION.

THURSDAY, May 2, 1895.

The Convention was called to order at 9:00 a. m., with Department President, Mrs. JANETTE L. TODD, in the chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The Special Committee reported on Resolutions.

Roll-call, 137 members present.

Guard announced a committee of Comrades from the G. A. R. Encampment: Comrades FISHER LENNON and CLINE. They were presented by the Conductors. As Comrade FISHER was unable to talk, Comrades LENNON and CLINE gave messages of commendation and gratification for the work that had been done by the ladies of the Department.

Comrade LENNON requested the ladies to sing: "My country, 'tis of Thee." After the singing, badges were presented to the Comrades, and they retired.

The next order of business was the election of officers. Tellers appointed were Mrs. SHOUP, ADAMS and WILSON.

Nominations were then made for Department President.

Mrs. TODD was nominated by Mrs. CARR, and seconded by several. Declined.

Mrs. CAMILLA S. FAIR was nominated by Mrs. BUNN, seconded by Mrs. CARR and others.

Mrs. ANNA B. HOLLIDAY, of Laramie, Wyoming, was nominated by Mrs. KENNEDY, and seconded by Mrs. BUTLER.

It was moved and seconded that nominations close. Carried.

While tellers were counting the votes, the chairman of the Relief Committee, ROSETTA FAIRCHILD, made her report. She also read the report of Mrs. RUTH MCGILL of that Committee, and Committee appointed:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary:

The Committee on Department Relief Work take great pleasure in reporting what has been accomplished during the past ten months:

I received my appointment July 10, 1894, and almost immediately responded to a call for aid through the Department President. Gave assistance to the amount of \$3.00.

On July 14, was called upon to help an old soldier. Gave him money and clothing to the amount of \$3.60.

On July 27, received a call for help from a member of a Corps. Gave her \$5.00.

Gave Mrs. McGill, my co-worker on this Committee, \$10.00.

During September, had but one call. Gave \$2.00.

On October 4, a Comrade called upon me; said he had secured work; asked to have his shoes half-soled. I gave him 75 cents for that purpose.

On November 13, the Department was called upon to assist in defraying the funeral expenses of a son of a Veteran. Gave \$3.00.

On December 17, my attention was called to a worthy family. This was indeed a destitute family. I sent them a pair of shoes and groceries to the amount of \$4.00.

On January 18, 1895, I received a letter from one who had been assisted previously, asking that we give her aid once more. Sent her \$3.00.

On January 20, I visited a family at Swansea, and gave them groceries amounting to the sum of \$2.50.

In the month of January, I received a letter from Judge North, of Boulder, asking me to look up an old Comrade. Found he was deserving of the assistance called for, and gave him \$2.00, also some clothing, donated by the Appel Clothing Company.

On January 25, sent a family \$1.50 worth of coal.

February 2, a case was reported to me by Veteran Corps that did not come under their jurisdiction. I found a daughter of a veteran in need, and gave her \$1.50.

On February 8, the Department President requested me to call upon a Comrade. He asked that I help him until he could get funds from the east. He had fallen heir to some property. He expected a remittance as soon as he could hear from there. I gave him \$1.00, and found him board and lodging with Mrs. Smidle of Meade Corps.

February 11, gave an old soldier 50 cents to pay a Pension Agent for making out papers and necessary postage on same.

February 17, sent \$1.00 worth of coal to a family previously helped.

March 9, I received a call from Mrs. Babbitt, President of Meade Corps. She asked me to call upon a member of Ben. Butler Corps, of Lowell, Massachusetts, and for three years secretary of said Corps. This is a sad case. A stranger in a strange land, suffering from an incurable disease. I gave her \$1.00.

March 10, paid Mrs. Smidle \$9.60 for room and board of a Comrade.

March 13, the Department President sent me to 30th and Larimer streets. I there found a worthy family in destitution. Gave them groceries to the amount of \$3.60.

March 18, paid out \$3.00 for medicine and room rent.

March 27, called upon one whom I had been caring for, and gave her \$1.00.

April 15, I found a Comrade needing help. Gave him a pair of shoes and provisions, amounting to \$2.50.

April 17, I again assisted the family residing on Larimer street. Gave them \$3.00.

April 20, gave one whom I had previously helped \$3.00, for medicine and room rent.

I have expended for car fare, stamps, orders, and stationery, \$3.25.

I received from the Department, \$80.00. Have expended \$79.30; leaving a balance in my possession of 70 cents. I can conscientiously say that I have used every nickle to the best of my ability. I have made, during my term of office as Chairman of the Relief Committee, personal calls upon thirty families, most of them sick, all of them destitute. I leave the work with sincere regret, and trust my successor may continue the work where I leave off.

To the Department President, I return my grateful thanks for her invariable kindness; also to the Department Secretary and Treasurer, who have always responded to my calls for money so cheerfully.

Before closing my report, I wish to add that Veteran Corps furnished clothing for one about to go to the hospital; the amount given was \$3.15. With the assistance of the Department President, clothing, to the amount of \$25.00, was sent to the Corps at Holyoke, to be distributed among the needy.

We would respectfully recommend: that in the future the Chairman of the Relief Committee be located in Denver, as it has been our experience that the greatest amount of relief work is done in Denver. As a general thing, the destitute of the mountain towns are cared for without outside aid.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

ROSETTA FAIRCHILD,
Chairman of Relief Committee.

Report of Mrs. RUTH MCGILL:

JANETTE L. TODD,

Department President:

In compliance with the Rules of our Order, I cheerfully submit the following:

On August 28, I secured transportation for a daughter of a veteran, from Denver to Eagleville, Missouri; transportation other than money	\$12.80
Clothing for herself and family, other than money	10.00
Cash for same	1.00
Relief done, Oct. 20, for a Comrade and family, other than money	10.00
Help given, Nov. 10, to a daughter of a veteran, other than money	20.00
Jan. 10, I secured a ticket for a son of a veteran, from Denver to Elyria, Ohio; other than money	16.25
Cash for clothing, for same person	10.00
Change for same on the road	.50
Relief done for son of a veteran and wife; cash	1.00
Other than money	5.00
Relief done for daughter of a veteran, April 1; other than money	1.00
Express charges	.50
Car fare	2.00
Total	\$90.05

Amount of cash expended	\$15.00
Other than money	75.05
	\$90.05

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

RUTH MCGILL,
Member of Relief Committee.

It was moved and seconded that the names of those receiving relief, be not read in the reports hereafter. Motion carried.

The tellers then reported the result of the ballot. Number of votes cast, 131; necessary for choice, 66:

Mrs. Fair	26
Mrs. Holliday	105

Mrs. FAIR moved that the election be made unanimous; seconded. Carried.

Mrs. HOLLIDAY was declared elected Department President for the ensuing year.

Mrs. FAIR requested the pleasure of escorting the President elect to the stand; which was accordingly done.

It was moved and seconded that the Committee on Courtesies to the G. A. R. Encampment, be sent in the afternoon, immediately after the Convention convened, so as not to lose their votes. So ordered.

Nominations were then made for Senior Vice President.

Mrs. FAIR was nominated by Mrs. HAMILTON; seconded by Mrs. BABBITT.

Mrs. KESSLER was nominated by Mrs. COE; seconded by Mrs. NEWLAND.

Mrs. FANNIE HARDIN was nominated by Mrs. O'BRIEN; seconded by several.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

A communication from our bereaved Sister, Mrs. AMERICA ANDERSON, was read by the Secretary.

It was moved and seconded that resolutions be passed on the death of her husband, and sent to Mrs. ANDERSON. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Department President be chairman of the committee, and that she appoint the balance of the committee.

Motion was withdrawn, as it was declared out of order, as the Committee on Resolutions had been appointed.

The report of the Auditing Committee, Mrs. ADAMS and PHILLIPS, was given. The chairman of the Executive Board stated that there was no report to make.

Mrs. WATERS, Assistant National Inspector, reported her inspection.

The Committee appointed on the Junior Vice President's Report gave their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

The Committee on the Inspector's Report gave their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read. Carried.

The Committee on the Report of the Delegate-at-Large, gave their report, and its adoption recommended.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read. Carried.

The Committee on the Report of the I. and I. Officer gave their report.

It was moved and seconded that it be adopted as read. Carried.

The Committee on the Chaplain's Report, read their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read. Carried.

The Committee on the Secretary's Report, gave their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read. Carried.

The tellers were ready to report the result of the ballot on Senior Vice President.

The whole number of votes cast, 130; necessary for choice, 66:

Mrs. Hardin.....	53
Mrs. Fair.....	48
Mrs. Kessler.....	29

No majority being had, it was necessary to have a second ballot.

Mrs. KESSLER and Mrs. FAIR wished to withdraw, but it was conceded to be out of order, so a second ballot was ordered.

The Committee on the Treasurer's Report made their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted as read. Carried.

The Committee on Department President's Address made their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that we take up her recommendations, one by one, and adopt them separately. Carried.

Recommendation 1. It was moved and seconded that it be adopted. Carried.

Recommendation 3. It was moved and seconded that we accept it. Carried.

The report was called for from the committee appointed on the banner case.

Mrs. DUNAGAN reported that they had no power to act, until it was brought before the Convention, so that nothing had been done only to get figures on the cost.

It was moved and seconded, as an amendment to the motion, that the committee be continued, with full power to act. Carried.

Committee: the Mrs. DUNAGAN, ARNOLD and SCRIVENER.

Tellers were ready to report on second ballot for Senior Vice President.

Whole number of votes cast, 127; necessary for choice, 64:

Mrs. Kessler.....	10
Mrs. Hardin.....	40
Mrs. Fair.....	77

Mrs. FAIR having received a majority of votes was declared duly elected Senior Vice President for the ensuing year.

Recommendation 2. It was moved and seconded that it be accepted. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the report on the President's Address, be adopted. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that we adjourn until 1:30 p. m. So ordered.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention convened at 1:30 o'clock, with Mrs. JANETTE L. TODD in the chair:

Roll-call, 115 members present.

Nominations were made for Junior Vice President.

Mrs. HARTZELL was nominated by Mrs. CALVERT; seconded by several.

Mrs. HARDIN was nominated by Mrs. FAIR; but declined.

Mrs. BUMP was nominated by Mrs. DELO; seconded by Mrs. MASON.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

A report was given by Mrs. WRIGHT of the institution of a Corps at Springfield, Colorado.

It was moved and seconded that she be reimbursed for her expenses.

It was amended and seconded that she be allowed \$5.00. Carried.

The Committee on the Report of the Department Relief Committee, made their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

The Committee on the Counselor's Report made their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tellers were ready to report on the ballot for Junior Vice President.

Whole number of votes cast, 106; necessary for choice, 54:

Mrs. Bump.....	23
Mrs. Hardin.....	2
Mrs. Hartzell.....	81

Mrs. HARTZELL having received the majority of the votes cast, was declared duly elected Junior Vice President for the ensuing year.

Nominations for Treasurer were next in order.

Miss SADIE M. FISHER was nominated by Mrs. OLNEY; seconded by Mrs. HANDYSIDE and others.

Mrs. SUTTON was nominated by Mrs. DETOLIVER, but declined.

Mrs. ULEN was nominated by Mrs. HAWES; seconded by several.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

The Committee on the Report of the Senior Vice President gave their report.

It was moved and seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

The minutes were read of the Council meetings, held at Aspen, June 14, 1894; Denver, September 3, 1894; February 9, 1895; and Denver, April 29, 1895.

It was moved and seconded that the minutes be endorsed by the Convention, as read. Carried.

The Guard announced a committee of two Comrades, from the G. A. R. Encampment, in waiting.

The Conductor presented Comrades CONDIT and TODD; a committee appointed by the G. A. R. to wait upon this Convention and arrange for the

installation of officers, to be held that evening, at Coliseum Hall, at such hour as should be agreed upon by the Convention.

It was moved and seconded that we accept the invitation. Carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that it be held at eight o'clock. Carried.

The Comrades were thanked for the courtesies extended, and escorted from the room.

Tellers were ready to report on the ballot for Treasurer.

Whole number of votes cast, 115; necessary for choice, 58:

Mrs. Ulen	51
Miss Fisher	64

Miss FISHER having received a majority of the votes cast, was declared elected.

Nominations for Chaplain were then made:

Mrs. LIBBIE K. DANIELS was nominated by Mrs. KENNEDY; seconded by several.

There being but one candidate, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. DANIELS for Chaplain. Carried unanimously.

Nominations were then made for Chairman of the Executive Board:

Mrs. MARY E. INGERSOLL was nominated by Mrs. CHEESMAN; seconded by several.

There being but one candidate, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. INGERSOLL for Chairman of the Executive Board. Carried.

Nominations were then made for the second member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. EMMA JOHNSON was nominated, but declined.

Mrs. EMILY E. O'BRIEN was nominated.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. O'BRIEN for second member of the Executive Board. Carried.

Nominations were then made for the third member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. ADDA ULEN was nominated by Mrs. SCRIVENER; seconded by several.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. ULEN for third member of the Executive Board. Carried.

Nominations were then made for the fourth member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. STEPHENSON was nominated by Mrs. CHEESMAN; seconded by Mrs. HAMILTON.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. SARAH STEPHENSON for the fourth member of the Executive Board. Carried.

Nominations were then made for the fifth member of the Executive Board:

Mrs. EMMA JOHNSON was nominated by Mrs. ARNOLD; seconded by Mrs. SMITH.

It was moved and seconded to close nominations. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. EMMA JOHNSON for the fifth member of the Executive Board. Carried.

Nominations were then made for Delegate-at-Large:

Mrs. EMILY JONES was nominated by Mrs. CARR; seconded by several.

Mrs. MARGRET DELO was nominated by Mrs. LAURA MASON; seconded by Mrs. CANARY.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

Mrs. DELO withdrew.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. EMILY JONES for Delegate-at-Large. Carried.

Nominations were then made for first Delegate:

Mrs. ANNA E. BABBITT was nominated by Mrs. ADAMS; seconded by several.

Mrs. DELO was nominatsd by Mrs. LAURA MASON; seconded by Mrs. HARDIN.

Mrs. BABBITT declined.

It was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. MARGRET DELO for first Delegate. Carried.

Nominations were then made for second Delegate:

Mrs. McILVAINE was nominated by Mrs. SMITH; seconded by Mrs. JOHNSON.

Mrs. BABBITT was nominated by Mrs. KESSLER; seconded by Mrs. TRIPP.

Mrs. ELIZA WRIGHT was nominated, but declined.

Mrs. ANNA M. GAVETT was nominated by Mrs. DETOLIVER; seconded by Mrs. JOHNSON.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Charter Record be left in the hands of Mrs. CARR, during the present administration.

Moved and seconded that one dollar be refunded Mrs. CARR for money expended in having names copied in Charter Record. Carried.

A communication was read on the Pension bill.

It was moved and seconded that we endorse the bill. Carried.

Tellers reported on ballot for second Delegate. Whole number of votes cast, 94; necessary for choice, 48:

Mrs. McIlvaine received	26
Mrs. Gavett "	26
Mrs. Babbitt "	42

No majority being had, a second ballot was taken, which resulted as follows:

Whole number of votes cast on second ballot, 91; necessary for choice, 46:

Mrs. Gavett received	18
Mrs. McIlvaine "	31
Mrs. Babbitt "	42

No majority having been received, another ballot was necessary, voting for the two highest:

Committee on Resolutions reported that Resolution No. 3, adopted by the Tenth Annual Convention, should be amended to read: "That it is undesirable for a Corps to have any entertainment

on Memorial Day, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day."

That Resolution No. 2 be adopted, and to conform with the time set by the National Convention.

It was moved and seconded that the report of the committee be accepted. Carried.

The resolutions on the death of Comrade ANDERSON were read:

The fierce and pitiless "Spirit of the hour-glass and scythe" has again entered the ranks of the G. A. R., and drafted another from the rapidly decreasing ranks to answer "here" on heaven's eternal camping ground, and left an honored and respected member of our Order to finish the march of life alone;

Therefore, be it Resolved, That the sympathy of this Convention be extended to our sister, America Anderson, in the deep sorrow through which she has and must pass alone.

We realize that no words of ours can soothe the wound caused, when the companion of heart and home for thirty-four years is torn from her in an instant, but the soothing touches of time will quiet and console:

"And so beside the silent sea
I wait the muffled oar,
No harm from him can come to me,
On ocean or on shore.

I know not where his islands
Lift their frouded palms in air,
I only know I can not drift
Beyond his love and care."

Yours in sympathy and F., C. and L.,

SARAH E. CALVERT.
MARY J. HANDYSIDE. } Committee
ROSELLA GOODRICH.

It was moved and seconded that we adopt the resolutions, and it was so ordered by a rising vote.

The Committee on Greetings, sent to the Encampment of the G. A. R., reported that they were very cordially received and entertained.

It was moved and seconded that the sympathies of the Convention be extended to Mrs. BENSON, President of Farragut Corps No. 1, on the death of her son. Carried.

Tellers reported whole number of votes cast for second Delegate, 84; necessary for choice, 43:

Mrs. McIlvaine received	37
Mrs. Babbitt "	47

Mrs. BABBITT having received a majority of all the votes cast, was declared duly elected as second Delegate.

Nominations were then made for Alternate-at-Large:

Mrs. LOU FAUST was nominated by Mrs. BABBITT; seconded by Mrs. SCRIVNER.

Mrs. SEARL was nominated by Mrs. HOOPER; seconded by Mrs. ELDRIDGE.

Mrs. GAVETT was nominated by Mrs. SUTTON; seconded by Mrs. DETOLIVER.

Mrs. WHIPP was nominated by Mrs. LACOUNT; seconded by Mrs. WILLIAMS.

It was moved and seconded that nominations be closed. Carried.

Tellers reported whole number of votes cast for Alternate-at-Large, 70; necessary for choice, 36.

Mrs. Gavett received	15
Mrs. Searl "	26
Mrs. Whipp "	29

No majority being had, another vote was necessary, which resulted in number of votes, 63; necessary for choice, 34:

Mrs. Whipp received	39
Mrs. Searl "	32

Mrs. WHIPP was declared elected.

Nominations were then made for first Alternate:

Mrs. SEARL was nominated; and there being but one candidate, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. SEARL for first Alternate. Carried.

Nominations were then made for second Alternate:

Mrs. GAVETT was nominated.

There being but one candidate, it was moved and seconded that the Secretary cast the ballot for Mrs. GAVETT for second Alternate. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that five hundred copies of the Journal be printed. Carried.

The following resolution was introduced:

Resolved, That Decision No. 47, of the Twelfth National Convention, that an amount equal to four cents per member, be paid into the Department Treasurer's hands in the usual way, during the first quarter of the Corps year, viz: January, February and March, to be sent with the quarterly tax to the National Treasurer, for the National Woman's Relief Corps Home Board, be rescinded.

On motion a vote was taken, and it was carried unanimously.

It was moved and seconded that the names of those that made motions be left out of the Journal. Carried.

While waiting for the minutes to be written, pleasant words were exchanged, and remarks by Mrs. TODD, the retiring Department President; and at the request of Mrs. KENNEDY, the Junior Vice President was called to fill the chair.

A motion was made and seconded that we extend our thanks to Mrs. TODD for her kindness during the year. It was carried.

It was moved and seconded that a vote of thanks be given to all retiring officers. Carried.

The Chairman of the Committee on Courtesies, read the following report; which, upon motion, was accepted:

We would thank the Corps of Denver for the entertainment given the Delegates to the theater;

We would thank Comrade J. D. Fanning, manager of the Albany Hotel, for the use of the house for Headquarters and Convention hall;

We would thank Col. Merriam for the invitation to visit Fort Logan;

We would thank the Leadville Drum Corps for the entertainment of the Convention, and escorting the ladies to the theater;

We would thank the Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Light and Mr. Durbin for the car ride for the members.

MARY J. HANDYSIDE, }
ROSELLA GOODRICH, } Committee
SARAH E. CALVERT, }

It was moved and seconded that the banner be insured. Carried.

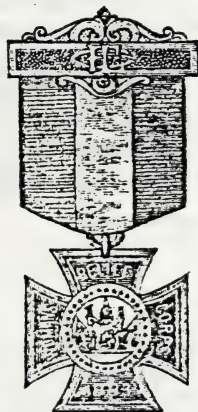
It was moved and seconded that the remaining minutes of the Convention be read before, and approved by, the new Council. Carried.

The Guard announced Department Commander Rollins, who was presented by the Conductor, and made some very pleasant remarks, expressing his pleasure at the success of the Administration.

After installation, the Department President, ANNA B. HOLLIDAY, expressed herself very feelingly upon the honor conferred, and asked the support

and good will of all. She then declared the Eleventh Department Convention closed.

A Council Meeting was held in the parlors of the Albany Hotel, immediately after the installation of officers. The minutes of the afternoon session were read and approved.



Report to Department Commander.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC. }
DENVER, COLO., April 30, 1895.

GEN. NAT. ROLLINS,

Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Woman's Relief Corps, I herewith present to you and the members of the Seventeenth Annual Encampment, the following:

Eleven months ago, when I was placed in the President's chair, there were thirty-four Corps in this Department. It is with pleasure I report: We have not a delinquent Corps, or one to disband. We have added seven new ones, making forty-one at the present time. Our membership has increased from thirteen hundred and fifty-four to thirteen hundred and seventy-three, not including the last four Corps organized. One hundred and twenty-two soldiers have been assisted; three hundred and seventy families have received aid.

Amount of relief given in money.....	\$1,708.89
Other than money.....	1,682.15
Total.....	\$3,391.04
Balance in General Fund.....	\$1,363.94
Balance in Relief Fund.....	635.53
Amount expended, Department Relief.....	55.00
Balance in Relief Fund.....	32.17
Amount contributed, Soldier's Home	220.70
Amount contributed, W. R. C. Home, Madison, Ohio....	82.89
Memorial Day in the South	14.48

I wish to extend to the Comrades of the Grand Army, my sincere thanks for the kind and courteous treatment I have received. To you is largely due the prosperous year I have had.

To the Commissioners of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home, I would say, words can not express the appreciation I feel for the consideration shown me at all times, while a member of the Board.

I am proud to say that Commander Rollins has been in accord with the Woman's Relief Corps. Owing to his being so

far from Headquarters, I have been unable to counsel with him many times. When his advice was given, it was in kindness, and proved to be in the interest of the Woman's Relief Corps. I feel that it has been an honor to serve with him.

With a sad and sorrowing heart, I report to you of the kindness received from the Assistant Adjutant General, James W. Anderson (now deceased). On my last visit to Headquarters, a few days prior to his death, I received congratulations upon my administration. "Precious words locked in the casket of memory, until I, too, shall be numbered with the dead."

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

JANETTE L. TODD.

Department President.

Decisions of the Eleventh Department Convention.

1. That hereafter, in making out election returns, Past Corps President's transferred, be reported by the Corps in which they hold their membership as transferred from the Corps to which they formerly belonged, and their names be dropped from the roll of the Corps from which they were transferred.

2. That a committee be appointed to confer with school boards, requesting introduction of the "Flag Salute" in schools not using the same.

3. That a committee be appointed and instructed to procure a glass case for the Department Banner, to be placed in the G. A. R. room in the Capitol building, Denver, Colorado.

4. That Corps sending for supplies shall not include postage in the footings, as requisitions and books must agree, and postage not being supplies can not be entered on the books of the Department Treasurer.

5. That Resolution No. 3, as adopted by the Tenth Department Convention, be amended, to read: "That it is undesirable for Corps to have any entertainments on Memorial Day which will desecrate the sacredness of the day."

6. That the dates of inspection be changed to the months of October, November and December.

Unofficial Proceedings.

The Albany Hotel was beautifully decorated in honor of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. Comrade J. D. Fanning, manager, was untiring in his efforts for the comfort and pleasure of his guests. To him we are indebted for the free use of the club-rooms to hold our Convention. In returning thanks to Comrade Fanning, words fail us.

Tuesday afternoon, a car ride was given our visitors, by the Denver Corps.

Tuesday evening, a grand "camp-fire" was held at Coliseum Hall. The usual programme was varied somewhat by several Comrades relating army yarns, that were not strictly truthful. Our present Department Commander, N. J. O'Brien, won the first prize, as being the farthest from the truth.

Wednesday afternoon, the delegates were invited by Col. Merriam, Commander at Fort Logan, to visit the Fort and witness the "Dress Parade" of the regulars. Many felt that we were spending too much time in pleasure that should be devoted to the work that called us together. A fair delegation went to the Fort, saw the "Dress Parade," and reported an enjoyable trip. All joined in a vote of thanks to Col. Merriam for his courtesies and kindness in remembering the ladies of the Woman's Relief Corps.

Wednesday evening, a theater party was given to all the delegates at the Tabor Grand. About two hundred ladies met at the Albany Hotel, and with the Leadville Drum Corps as an escort, marched in a body to the theatre.

The exemplification of the Ritual, by Veteran Corps No. 14, was excellent, and highly spoken of by all who saw it.

The Eleventh Annual Convention was the largest ever held in the Department. Having Commander-in-Chief Lawler, Adjutant General Jones, our beloved President, Emma R. Wallace, and her mother, Mrs. Gibson, with us, made it a memorable occasion. The kind and cheering words spoken will be treasured by all who were present.

Report upon the President's Address.

The Committee have read the address of the Department President and more fully realize the wonderful growth in numbers and usefulness of the Woman's Relief Corps. The growth is almost phenomenal, and the work is that of earnest women, whose energy is supplemented by a tender love that scarce finds a place in any other organization.

The suggestion regarding "A Soldier's Home that shall not separate a man from his wife in the gloaming time which life grows sublime in its nearness to the portals of death," goes to the heart of every friend of the "Old Soldier." It must be done, and the report of our Department President says between the lines, that she will be among the foremost to accomplish this important work.

The Committee report most favorably upon the Expense Account, feeling that the finances were well and faithfully managed.

The suggestion to Corps Presidents, regarding the reading of all "General Orders," should have careful attention.

The inspection was, evidently, faithfully done, and will, no doubt, work to the advancement of the Order.

The Committee report favorably upon the three recommendations, but would suggest that No. 2, which reads: "That a committee be appointed to introduce the Flag Salute into all schools not using the same," be changed, to read: "That a committee be appointed to confer with school boards regarding the introduction of the Flag Salute, in schools not using the same."

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

MRS. HATTIE BUNN,
MRS. EUGENIA OLNEY,
MRS. EMILY O'BRIEN.

Report upon Senior Vice President's Report.

Your committee appointed on Senior Vice President's report, submit the following: We have carefully examined the report, and find her work well done. We most heartily recommend its adoption as read.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

SUSIE SEARL.
M. A. DILL
MINNIE KINGSFORD.

Report upon Junior Vice President's Report.

We, the undersigned, committee on report of Department Junior Vice President, beg leave to submit the following: We find that throughout the year her labors have not been many or laborious, but she has always stood waiting with loving heart and willing hands to do whatever our President desired of her. We heartily recommend the adoption of her report.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

JENNIE MCGILL.
CHARLOTTE R. COE,
ELLEN HAHN.

Report upon Secretary's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

The committee on Secretary's report, have carefully examined the same, and find it complete, concise, and correct, and would recommend its adoption. We heartily congratulate the increased number of Corps on Roll of Honor, and trust that their motto will ever be "Onward and Upward."

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

JOSEPHINE CHEESMAN,
NELLIE BUMP,
MARION SUTTON.

Report upon Treasurer's Report.

The Committee appointed to consider the report of the retiring Treasurer, would respectfully recommend the adoption of the "recommendations" of the Treasurer, to the effect "that Corps do not include postage in footings on the requisition blanks."

Respectfully submitted, in F., L. and C.,

LETTIE KESSLER.
ADDIE ULEN.
L. A. HERRIOTT.

Report upon Chaplain's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee, to whom has been referred the report of the Department Chaplain, beg leave to say: That we find it quite complete in all matters relating to her department, and reflects credit upon its author. We heartily recommend its approval.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

MARY A. CONDIT,
ANNA E. BABBITT,
MARGARET C. DELO.

Report upon Inspector's Report.

We, the undersigned, have carefully considered the Inspector's report, and find it clear and concise, and carefully executed; and would cheerfully recommend its adoption by this Convention.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

EMMA C. SCRIVNER,
JULIA W. LOGAN,
EMMA BEEMAN.

Report upon I. and I. Officer's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

Your committee, appointed on the report of Laura Mason, Department Instituting and Installing Officer, submit the following: That we have carefully examined the report, and find it a clear and comprehensive statement of work faithfully performed.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

LUCY M. CAPRON,
SARAH E. WILLIAMS,
KATIE L. SAHRBECK.

Report upon Counselor's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

Your committee in charge of Counselor's report, are pleased that so few cases have required official opinion. We commend the disposition our worthy Counselor has made of those sub-

mitted to her. Her ill health, and absence in Convention, has been a source of regret to all. Hoping that another year her presence may greet us.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

JENNIE G. HARPER,
EMILY BECKWITH,
ELIZA A. WRIGHT.

Report upon Delegate-at-Large's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

Your committee appointed to report upon the report of the Delegate-at-Large, take pleasure in submitting the following: We examined the same and found it correct. It is written in a neat, concise manner, showing the writer to be thoroughly acquainted with the duties of her office. We feel proud to report and most heartily recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

EMMA SMIDLE,
MARY HADER,
ALMEDA KELLOGG.

Report upon Auditing Committee's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

Your committee appointed to audit the books of Department Treasurer and Department Secretary, have the honor to report: That we found the books neatly kept, and correct in every particular.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

E. D. ADAMS, Chairman,
ANNIE W. PHILLIPS.

Report upon Chairman of Department Relief's Report.

MRS. PRESIDENT:

We, the committee, have cheerfully examined the report of the Chairman of the Department Relief, and find that in every detail it is perfect and concise. We, the committee of a local Corps, know the extent of this work, and can heartily appreciate the work done by her.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

ELLA M. BYERS,
SARAH STEPHENSON,
ELLA S. HANSEN.

COUNCIL MEETINGS.

ALPEN, COLO., June 14, 1894.

The first Council Meeting of the new Department Officers, was called immediately after the close of the Tenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, June 14, by the new President, Mrs. Janette L. Todd.

All the newly installed officers and members of the Executive Board were present, excepting Mrs. Annie Phillips and Mrs. Julia Logan.

The Auditing Committee appointed were: Mrs. Emma Adams, chairman; Mrs. America Anderson, Mrs. Annie Phillips.

There being no other business, it was moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Searl, that the meeting adjourn.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE C. BUTLER,

Department Secretary.

Read and approved, September 3, 1894.

DENVER, COLO., September 3, 1894.

Second Council Meeting was held at G. A. R. Headquarters. Meeting was called to order by the President (Mrs. Todd). Members present were: Mrs. Adams, Anderson, Hooper, and Hamilton. Minutes of first meeting, read and approved.

Notice having been received from delegates elected to the National Convention that they would be unable to attend, it was moved by Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, that we elect delegates to fill the vacancy. Carried.

Nominations were then in order.

Mrs. Hooper nominated Mrs. Anna Adams, of Boulder, which was seconded by Mrs. Hamilton; and the above named was duly elected as delegate to National Convention.

President Mrs. Todd presented the case of an old soldier who wished to be sent to the Home.

It was moved by Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hooper, that the President procure transportation for the Comrade. Carried.

Mrs. Anderson tendered her resignation as one of the transportation committee; which was accepted.

No further business presented. Council adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

Read and approved, February 9, 1895.

DENVER, COLO., February 9, 1895.

Third Council Meeting called by the President, Janette L. Todd, to make arrangements for Department Convention.

The President said: The first thing to be considered was the securing of a hall.

A committee was appointed, which decided upon the Albany Hotel club room.

The Council voted that Veteran Corps No. 14, of Denver, be invited to exemplify the Ritual. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

Read and approved, April 29, 1895.

HEADQUARTERS WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
ALBANY HOTEL, DENVER, April 29, 1895. }

Fourth Council Meeting called by the President, Janette L. Todd.

The bill of Mrs. E. D. Adams, Chairman of the Auditing Committee, was presented for payment.

It was moved by Mrs. Butler, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that the bill of Mrs. Adams be paid. Carried.

Acting upon the advice of Council, it was moved that a stenographer be employed for the Convention. Carried.

The Council voted that a vote of thanks to Department Officers for contributing their incidental expenses, such as car fare, &c.

No other business presenting, the Council congratulated themselves upon a successful year, and pleasant Council Meetings; and it was moved by Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, that we adjourn *sine die*. Carried.

Respectfully submitted, in F., C. and L.,

OLIVE C. BUTLER.
Department Secretary.

Approved, April 29, 1895.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT INSPECTOR,
COLORADO AND WYOMING, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
LEADVILLE, COLO., August 10, 1894. }

CIRCULAR LETTER NO. 1:

As the time of inspection of Corps is drawing near, and by the advice of the National Inspector, it becomes my pleasant duty to communicate with each Corps throughout this Department, by Circular Letter, and promulgate instructions for a thorough and systematic inspection.

1. Hannah R. Johnson. Department Senior Vice President; Clara M. Hooper, Department Junior Vice President; and the Department President, will assist in the inspection.

2. The business methods of the Corps will receive a thorough and rigid examination, and the exemplification of Ritualistic work given special consideration, attention being called to all omissions and corrections made in the kindest manner possible.

3. Care should be observed in not hurrying the work of inspection. Let ample time be taken to have it done in a thorough and uniform manner; and Assistant Inspectors should insist upon this that the Corps at the close of inspection may realize that the visit of the Inspector will thereby prove a lasting benefit to both officers and members.

4. The attention of Corps Presidents is called to the advisability of Corps Officers memorizing the Ritual, and are urged to insist on this being done.

5. Corps Secretaries are requested to see that all papers are properly placed on file.

6. Corps President and Secretary will ascertain the "amount expended in relief," and that a value be placed on all contributions "other than money."

7. Corps Presidents should insist upon Corps establishing a "Relief Fund," where none exists. No Corps is complete in its work without this, and should not ignore one of the cardinal principles for which we are organized.

8. The National Inspector informs me that several Departments have reported Corps charging less than one (1) dollar, amount required by Rules and Regulations. Corps Presidents are charged with the duty of calling the attention of any such to Rules and Regulations, Chapter II, Article II, Section 1, and urge its discontinuance.

And, in conclusion, let me say to the weak and struggling Corps, keep a good heart, be not discouraged in well doing, for there are better days in store for the faithful.

And to members of this Department, let us hereby pledge ourselves anew to make this year one of the most successful, and may the bonds of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty bind us closer than ever before.

Yours truly, in F., C. and L.,

CAMILLA S. FAIR.

Department Inspector.

APPROVED:

JANETTE L. TODD,

Department President.

GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLORADO, June 18, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS No. 1:

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, at the Tenth Annual Convention, held at Aspen, Colorado, June 13 and 14, 1894, I enter upon the duties of the office with a full appreciation of the honor conferred upon me. I ask the support and co-operation of every member of the Order. Hoping all will feel it a duty they owe the Woman's

Relief Corps to work united and for the upbuilding of the noblest of work, *charity*.

Communications for the President should be addressed to JANETTE L. TODD, 2363 Blake Street, Denver, Colorado.

OLIVE C. BUTLER, 3018 Gilpin Street, Denver, Colorado, has been appointed Secretary.

MARGELIA HAMILTON, 2263 Lincoln Avenue, Denver, Colorado, having been elected Treasurer, all orders for Supplies will be sent to the above number.

Corps Treasurers will bear in mind that the *per capita* tax must be made payable to the Treasurer; enclose with report and forward to the Secretary.

A list of elected and appointed officers will be published in subsequent orders.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLORADO, July 7, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 2:

The Tenth Annual Convention, held at Aspen, Colorado, June 13 and 14, 1894, will long be remembered by those fortunate enough to attend. The kindness and consideration shown delegates and visitors by the G. A. R., W. R. C., and citizens, prove them to be loyal to the cause. Owing to the deplorable condition of the railroads, it was as largely attended as could be expected. Those who risked their lives in going on the first train to pass over the road after the flood, are to be commended for their bravery.

The following Officers were elected:

President	JANETTE L. TODD	Denver
Senior Vice President	HANNAH R. JOHNSON	Aspen
Junior Vice President	CLARA M. HOOPER	Greeley
Treasurer	MARGELIA E. HAMILTON	Denver
Chaplain	SUSIE J. SEARL	Leadville
	EMMA ADAMS	Boulder
	AMERICA ANDERSON	Denver
Executive Board	JULIA W. LOGAN	Buena Vista
	ANNA M. GAVITT	Colorado Springs
	ANNA W. PHILLIPS	Denver

Delegate-at-Large	SADIE M. FISHER	Cheyenne
First Delegate	ALICE T. SMITH	Denver
Second Delegate	EMMA L. GARTLEY	Aspen
Alternate-at-Large	GWENDOLEN POWELL	Aspen
First Alternate	ANNA E. CLINE	Denver
Second Alternate	ADELIA DITMAN	Grand Junction

The following appointments have been made:

Secretary	OLIVE C. BUTLER	Denver
Inspector	CAMILLA SMITH FAIR	Leadville
Counselor	LAURA S. DODGE	Boulder
I. and I. Officer	LAURA MASON	Pueblo

These officers, in the discharge of their duties, will be respected and obeyed.

The following are appointed Aids on the Staff of the Department President:

Chief Aid	LUCY M. CAMPBELL	Corps No. 40
MARY E. SMITH ... Corps No. 32	JENNIE FERREL	Corps No. 34
NETTIE H. LEWIS .. " 43	MARY A. WEST	" 3
CHARLOTTE R. COE .. " 5	MYRA B. LAWRENCE ..	" 7
ANNA B. HOLLIDAY .. " 20	DORA GREINER	" 29
ELIZA D. WRIGHT .. " 31	MARION SUTTON	" 4
MAGGIE MCCAIN	THERESSA A. JENKINS ..	" 9
ELLA HAHN	MARIA B. LACOUNT ..	" 12
KATE E. HANNA	ELLA B. ACKERMAN ..	" 17
EDNA HOOD	IDA E. SECKNER	" 26
GLENN LANGLY	KATIE L. SAHRBECK ..	" 39
MARY E. CAMPBELL .. " 41	JULIA WHITE	" 44
MARY E. COZENS .. " 45	ARA FISHBACK	" 46
EMILY BEAMAN	AMMILDA DUBOIS	" 19

Aids are expected to assist in building up the Order, and with the united efforts of all make this the most prosperous year of the Woman's Relief Corps. I would earnestly recommend that the Aids look after delinquent members. Those unable to pay, their dues be remitted by the Corps. Those able to pay, but indifferent, explain to them the good they do by paying promptly and being regular in attendance at Corps meetings. Corps Treasurers are doing their duty. Many look upon their appeals as merely a business transaction.

A new pass-word was sent out June 30. Corps Presidents not receiving it will please report.

Corps Presidents are urged to see that reports are made out and promptly forwarded, that the Department Officers may not retard the work of the National Officers.

COMMITTEES APPOINTED.

Transportation Committee—America Anderson, Catharine C. Kennedy, Minnie Rischie.

Committee on Glass Case for Banner—Lyda E. Dunagan, Persis Arnold, Emma C. Scrivner.

June 21 1894 Olive C. Butler, Department Secretary, and Margelia E. Hamilton, Department Treasurer, waited upon His Excellency, Gov. Davis H. Waite, to present the action taken by the Tenth Annual Convention, endorsing Mrs. Laura S. Dodge for Commissioner of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home.

Corps wishing to take a vacation during the months of July and August, can do so by conforming to the Rules and Regulations.

The Roll of Honor will be continued. Corps sending in correct reports on or before the fifth of the month following the close of the quarter, will be placed upon the Roll of Honor and so reported.

Owing to the strike on the railroads, the mails being so irregular that some of the reports could not have reached these Headquarters had they been mailed promptly, the time will be extended until the fifteenth for this quarter only.

The editor of the *Rocky Mountain Herald* has kindly offered to make that paper the official organ for the Woman's Relief Corps. Corps Secretaries are requested to send anything of interest or for the good of the Order, to the Department Secretary, Olive C. Butler, 3018 Gilpin Street, for publication.

DECISIONS OF THE TENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

First—That once a quarter, each Corps President, under the head of the "Good of the Order," present a statement to the Corps, explaining the needs and disposition of the money received from quarterly dues.

Second—That a suitable glass case be purchased for the Department Banner, the same to be placed in the G. A. R. room in the State House.

Third—That the Department President have the power of appointing a Transportation Committee of three, who shall relieve her of the necessity of applying for passes and special rates to the railroad companies.

Fourth—That the Department Secretary and Treasurer be paid ten (\$10.00) dollars for their work in the current quarter.

Fifth—That Corps hereafter supply themselves with stationery the official size.

Sixth—That decision 14, of the Ninth Department Convention, be rescinded, namely: "That Corps Supplies ordered by mail, be registered; Corps paying the registry fee."

Seventh—Laura S. Dodge, by unanimous vote of the Convention, was endorsed for Commissioner of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home, at Monte Vista, Colorado.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

DIED, JUNE 2, 1894.

ALICE STORY.

Akron Relief Corps No. 38, has been called upon to part with a beloved member.

Resolutions of condolence were offered by the Corps to the afflicted family.

The Department extends sympathy to the family and Corps in their affliction.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., August 10, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS No. 3:

First—The Twelfth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, will meet in Pittsburg, Pennsylvania, September 12, 1894.

Second—The Department Officers, Woman's Relief Corps, and friends, have been cordially invited to go on the G. A. R. official train.

Railroad rates will be announced in the daily papers, also route and the time of departure of official train.

Third—Headquarters, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, will be established at Mrs. Mason's, corner of Fourth Avenue and Ross Street. Delegates to the National Convention must receive the National Password from the President of their respective Corps, before leaving home.

Fourth—National Convention Woman's Relief Corps will meet at the Baptist Church, Ross Street, between Fourth Avenue and Diamond Street.

The Annual Inspection of the Corps in the Department, will occur in the months of September, October and November.

Second—The Department Inspector, Camilla Smith Fair, has given much time and thought in preparing herself for the work. It is hoped Corps Presidents will do likewise, that the Inspection may result in good to all.

Third—The Department has been divided, to lighten the labors and reduce the expense of Inspection.

Upon the nomination of the Department Inspector, the following Assistant Inspectors have been appointed, and they will be obeyed accordingly:

The Department Inspector, CAMILLA SMITH FAIR, will inspect the following Corps:

Farragut	No. 1	Nathaniel Lyon.....	No. 27
Upton	" 2	Kit Carson.....	" 31
Colorado Springs	" 4	McPherson.....	" 32
T. H. Dodd.....	" 5	Kilpatrick	" 34
George G. Meade	" 6	Pike's Peak.....	" 39
E. V. Sumner	" 7	George Washington....	" 42
Veteran	" 14	John C. Fremont	" 45
U. S. Grant	" 15	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Thornburg	" 25	Phil. Kearney.....	" 47
George H. Thomas	" 26		

Department President, JANETTE L. TODD, will inspect the following:

Sedgwick.....No. 3	Akron.....No. 36
James A. Garfield..... " 8	Phil. Sheridan..... " 41
Winfield Scott..... " 19	Joe Hooker..... " 43
Battle Mountain..... " 29	

The Department Senior Vice, HANNAH R. JOHNSON, will inspect the following:

Gen. Shields.....No. 10	Grand Junction.....No. 17
Gunnison..... " 12	

The Department Junior Vice, CLARA M. HOOPER, will inspect the following:

J. F. Reynolds.....No. 9	W. T. Sherman.....No. 24
Custer..... " 20	Holyoke..... " 44

If it should be advisable to make any changes in the inspection, ample notice will be given.

Department Inspector and her Assistants, will consult with Corps Presidents in regard to time of inspection. It is expected that all Corps will be in readiness.

Corps Presidents will call special meetings if necessary.

The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the quarter ending June 30:

Farragut,	Grand Junction,	Kilpatrick,
Upton,	Winfield Scott,	Akron,
Sedgwick,	Custer,	Pike's Peak,
Colorado Springs,	W. T. Sherman,	M. M. Crocker,
T. H. Dodd,	Thornburg,	Geo. Washington,
Geo. G. Meade,	Geo. H. Thomas,	Joe Hooker,
E. V. Sumner,	Nathaniel Lyon,	Holyoke,
Jas. A. Garfield,	Battle Mountain,	John C. Fremont,
Gunnison,	Kit Carson,	Maj. Anderson,
Veteran,	McPherson,	Phil. Kearney,
U. S. Grant,		

It is the duty of Corps Presidents to see that Quarterly Reports are made out immediately after the last meeting in each quarter. They should see that Secretary's and Treasurer's reports do not conflict, and that Treasurers do not pay *per capita* tax on suspended members.

Per capita tax must be made payable to the Treasurer, MARGELIA E. HAMILTON, enclosed with Secretary's and Treasurer's reports sent to the Secretary, OLIVE C. BUTLER.

Department Relief Committee—Chairman, ROSETTA FAIRCHILD, 1445 California Street, Denver; RUTH MCGILL, 142 West Dakota Street, Denver; NETTIE S. HARKER, Leadville.

The Department Relief Committee is expected to look after those that do not come under the jurisdiction of the Corps. I would recommend that cases referred to the committee from a distance, be referred to the Corps at or nearest the person applying. If found worthy, temporary aid given them, and the chairman of Relief Committee notified at once.

In my recent visit to the Soldier's Home, I found twenty-four windows without curtains or shades, allowing the sun to send its hot rays directly into the rooms occupied by those poor and almost helpless Comrades. I ordered shades sent at once. Now, I appeal to each Corps to send one dollar to cover the expense and to provide a screen door for the Hospital at the Home. If any Corps feel they are unable to pay the amount, they are excused. Corps Treasurers will send the money to the Department Treasurer, who will receipt for it, that Corps may have credit.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., November 12, 1894. }

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 4:

First—The Annual Election of Corps Officers will take place at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting, if necessary, to conclude the election. Great care should be taken in selecting officers that are competent and willing to faithfully discharge the duties of their respective offices. The election of Delegates and Alternates to Department Convention, occurs at the same meeting. The ratio of representation in this Department, is one for every twenty, and one for the final fraction of over half of that number.

Second—The success of the Corps is largely due to the energy and promptness of its Executive Officers. Select those for office who, by earnest devotion, have proven that they will faithfully carry on the work of the Order.

Third—The Installation of Officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose during the month. Joint Installations with

Post is recommended. Would suggest that at Public Installations, a brief sketch of the year's work would give to those not members of the Order an idea of the aims and objects of the work of the Woman's Relief Corps. A few words, well chosen, often create good impressions upon the minds of those seeking correct information.

Fourth—North Fork Corps No. 11, was instituted July 2, 1894, at Hotchkiss, Colo., Mrs. Mary Miller, President. Although an infant, they have a lot on which to build a G. A. R. hall donated to them; also, lumber, shingles, nails and labor pledged. They do not intend to stop until they have it furnished.

Fifth—The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter, having sent in correct reports by October 5:

Farragut	No. 1	W. T. Sherman	No. 24
Upton	" 2	Thornburg	" 25
Colorado Springs	" 4	George H. Thomas	" 26
T. H. Dodd	" 5	Nathaniel Lyon	" 27
George G. Meade	" 6	Battle Mountain	" 29
E. V. Sumner	" 7	Kit Carson	" 31
James A. Garfield	" 8	McPherson	" 32
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gen. Shields	" 10	Pike's Peak	" 39
North Fork	" 11	M. M. Crocker	" 40
Gunnison	" 12	Phil. Sheridan	" 41
Veteran	" 14	George Washington	" 42
U. S. Grant	" 15	Joe Hooker	" 43
Grand Junction	" 17	John C. Fremont	" 45
Winfield Scott	" 19	Phil. Kearney	" 47
Custer	" 20		

Sixth—As Commissioner of the Soldiers' Home, I find the Home is in need of many things, to provide for the comfort of the sick and needy. The \$20,000 that is due from the State for the support of the Home, the Commissioners have not been able to get. They have brought suit to compel the Auditor to issue the warrant. Everything purchased for the Home is on credit—that means only actual necessities are furnished. The Home Physician has been sadly in need of supplies for the Hospital. I shall use that donated by the Corps up to date, for purchasing the needed articles.

Seventh—I ask the Corps to donate what they can. It will require the united efforts of all to keep the Home open until the Legislature meets. If Corps sending donations, will specify for what purpose they wish it used, I will see that it is used as they request. Please send all donations to the Department

Treasurer, MARGELIA HAMILTON. She will receipt for the same. Corps sending other than money, will send direct to the Home, and notify the Department Treasurer the value of articles sent, that they and the Department may have credit for the same. Corps, in sending packages, must pay the charges.

Donations received for the Home:

Thornburg.....	\$ 10.00
North Fork.....	8.00
T. H. Dodd.....	5.00
George G. Meade.....	4.00

Corps sending one dollar each for the curtains, were Nos. 15, 45, 47, 6, 25, 46, 19, 14, 42, 40, 41, 2, 1, 32, 7, 29, 36, 8.

I extend to all a Christmas greeting, and when the New Year dawns upon us let us take up our work with renewed energy, remembering "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these ye have done it unto me."

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., March 15, 1895.

GENERAL ORDERS No. 5:

1. The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, will be held in Denver, April 30, May 1 and 2, 1895, Headquarters will be at the Albany Hotel, parlor A. Department President and Staff will welcome callers.
2. Special rates at the Albany Hotel have been secured, as follows: Board and room, \$2.00 per day. Those wishing to secure rooms, can correspond with J. D. Fanning, manager.
3. Take Seventeenth Avenue street cars at Union Depot, (red cars), for the Albany Hotel, Stout and Seventeenth Streets.
4. Convention will be called to order at 10 a. m., on April 30, in the hall in the Albany Hotel. It is expected that all delegates will be in attendance at all business sessions, if possible. It is necessary they should study carefully the requirements of the Order; also, any proposed amendments that may come up. A thorough preparation on these points will expedite

the work of the Convention, and make the time spent of greater value to the Order. All should remember that hasty legislation is worse than none at all.

5. Credential cards are sent with this order. Cards of Corps Presidents must be signed by the Senior Vice President and Secretary. Those entitled to vote are, Department Officers, Past Department Presidents, Past Department Secretaries, Past Department Treasurers, Corps Presidents, Past Corps Presidents, and regularly elected Delegates or Alternates.

6. Corps Presidents will report at once any change in their delegation to Department Secretary, that a correct roll of Convention may be prepared. The attention of Corps, where transfer cards have been granted to Past Corps Presidents and Corps where such transfer cards have been placed, is called to Decision 46, in National General Orders No. 2, current series.

7. Department Council will meet at Headquarters, April 29, at eight o'clock p. m. Reports of Department Officers, except Treasurer, must be forwarded to Headquarters on or before April 15.

The following Committee on Credentials is hereby appointed: Olive C. Butler, Department Secretary; Margelia Hamilton, Department Treasurer; Lucy M. Campbell, Chief of Staff. Committee on Credentials will meet in the hall at Albany Hotel, April 30, at nine o'clock a. m.

9. The Department Treasurer will close her books April 15, and they will remain so closed until after Convention. Corps will order all supplies and pay all indebtedness before that date.

10. All resolutions and recommendations to be acted upon by the Convention, must be forwarded to Department Secretary on or before April 15.

11. An invitation has been extended to Mrs. Emma R. Wallace, National President. It is hoped she will honor us by her presence.

12. The Ritual will be exemplified by Veteran Corps No. 14, of Denver.

13. The Journals of the Twelfth National Convention will be distributed at the Department Convention. Mrs. Emma D. Adams, Chairman of the Executive Board, will have them in charge.

14. Names of members deceased during the year, should be sent at once to the Department Chaplain, Susie J. Searl, Leadville, Colorado.

15. Corps on the Roll of Honor, for the quarter ending December 31, are:

Farragut	No. 1	W. T. Sherman.....	No. 24
Colorado Springs.....	" 4	Thornburg	" 25
George G. Meade	" 6	Nathaniel Lyon.....	" 27
James A. Garfield.....	" 8	Battle Mountain.....	" 29
J. F. Reynolds	" 9	McPherson	" 32
North Fork	" 11	Kilpatrick	" 34
Gunnison	" 12	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil. Sheridan	" 41
Grand Junction.....	" 17	Joe Hooker	" 43
Winfield Scott.....	" 19	Holyoke	" 44
Custer	" 20	Maj. Anderson	" 46

16. It is with pleasure I report that Edwin M. Stanton Corps No. 37, of Salida, was reorganized January 29, 1895; Mrs. Margret Dels, President.

George B. McClellan Relief Corps No. 16, was organized at Delta, Colorado, February 9, 1895; Mrs. Nellie L. Bailey, President.

17. Corps sending contributions to the Soldier's Home, since last General Orders, are:

Phil. Kearney.....	\$ 3.00	Kit Carson	\$ 5.00
Winfield Scott.....	10.00	George Washington ..	5.00
Grand Junction	6.00	Nathaniel Lyon	100.00
W. T. Sherman	5.00	Upton	5.00
McPherson	10.00	Maj. Anderson	6.00
Pike's Peak	4.25	Battle Mountain	16.45

18. Corps that have sent donations direct to the Home and have notified Headquarters, are:

Veteran	\$ 10.00	John C. Fremont.....	\$ 4.75
Phil. Kearney.....	5.00	James A. Garfield	4.00

Nathaniel Lyon Corps sent \$25.00 to the W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio.

Corps sending money to the Eastern Colorado Sufferers, are:

McPherson	\$ 65.00	U. S. Grant	\$ 20.00
Veteran	10.00	Farragut.....	1.00

A number of Corps have sent clothing and provisions.

19. All contributions for Memorial Day in the South, should be sent to Department Treasurer soon, as the Quartermaster General of the Grand Army desires all contributions to be sent in by May 1, 1895.

20. Attention is called to Decision No. 47, of the Twelfth National Convention, viz: That an amount equal to four cents per member, be sent to Department Treasurer during the first quarter, to be forwarded with *per capita* tax to the National Treasurer, for the W. R. C. Home at Madison, Ohio.

21. In closing my official work as President of this Department, I desire to express my appreciation of the kindness received. My heartfelt thanks are hereby extended to those that have worked for the upbuilding of our Order, and for the earnest support accorded me during the year, and for the many courtesies received, both from the Grand Army and the Woman's Relief Corps, which will always be gratefully remembered.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

CIRCULAR LETTER.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., August 24, 1894. }

CIRCULAR LETTER No. 1:

I. The G. A. R. official train for the Encampment at Pittsburg, Penn., will leave Denver at 9 p. m., Friday, September 7, 1894, *via* Burlington railroad to Chicago. From Chicago *via* Lake Shore railroad to Pittsburg.

II. Fare is \$38.15 for the round trip. Pullman berth to Pittsburg, \$8.50. All wishing berths in sleeper secured in advance, will send money to Col. J. W. Anderson, or to the Department President, and it will be attended to.

III. I earnestly request that all who are going, will notify me at once, so that arrangements for our comfort may be made as early as possible.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

SPECIAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., April 15, 1895.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 2:

After due trial of Maud Lee Gardiner, of Geo. Washington Corps No. 42, Denver, Colorado, by a Court of Inquiry, upon charges preferred of conduct unbecoming a member of our Order, I declare her dishonorably discharged.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R., }
DENVER, COLO., April 23, 1895.

SPECIAL ORDERS No. 3:

First—It is with pleasure I report that Casper W. Collins Corps No. 13, Rawlins, Wyoming, was organized April 3, 1895; Mrs. Minnie Kingsford, President.

R. A. Cameron Corps No. 18, Fort Morgan, Colorado, was organized March 29, 1895; Mrs. Matilda Hotchkiss, President.

Reno Corps No. 21, Denver, Colorado, was organized April 22, 1895; Mrs. Lucy M. Capron, President.

Charter fee received and supplies sent to Springfield, Colorado. Corps to be organized April 27, 1895.

Second—In General Orders No. 5, the name of the President of E. M. Stanton Corps was given as Mrs. Margret Dels; it should have read Mrs. Margret Delo.

Third—Active preparations are being made for the Convention. We hope to make it one of pleasure as well as profit.

Tuesday afternoon, immediately after the G. A. R. parade, the Delegates will be given a street car ride over the city.

Tuesday evening, a "camp-fire" will be held in Coliseum Hall.

Wednesday evening, a theater party will be given to the Delegates.

Fourth—Wednesday, at 2 p. m., the Ritual will be exemplified by Veteran Corps No. 14, Denver.

Fifth—Corps on Roll of Honor for the first quarter of 1895:

Farragut	No. 1	Kit Carson	No. 31
Sefton	" 2	McPherson	" 32
Sedgwick	" 3	Kilpatrick	" 34
George G. Meade	" 6	Akron	" 36
James A. Garfield	" 8	E. M. Stanton	" 37
North Fork	" 11	Pike's Peak	" 39
Veteran	" 14	M. M. Crocker	" 40
U. S. Grant	" 15	Phil. Sheridan	" 41
Winfield Scott	" 19	Joe Hooker	" 43
Thornburg	" 25	Holyoke	" 44
George H. Thomas	" 26	John C. Fremont	" 45
Nathaniel Lyon	" 27	Maj. Anderson	" 46
Battle Mountain	" 29		

Sixth—The National President, Emma R. Wallace, has written, saying she expects to be with us.

Seventh—Memorial Day blanks are sent out with this order.

By command of

JANETTE L. TODD,
Department President.

OFFICIAL:

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
Department Secretary.

ROSTER OF SUBORDINATE CORPS.

No.	NAME	LOCATION	PRESIDENT
1	Farragut.....	Denver.....	Catharine C. Kennedy
2	Upton.....	Pueblo .....	.....Ella Wepler
3	Sedgwick	Durango .....	.....Mary A. West
4	Colorado Springs....	Colorado Springs...	.....Marion Sutton
5	T. H. Dodd	Golden .....	.....Charlotte R. Coe
6	George G. Meade....	Denver.....	.....Lyda E. Dunagan
7	E. V. Sumner	Silver Cliff.....	.....Myra B. Lawrence
8	James A. Garfield ..	Leadville .....	.....Nettie S. Harker
9	J. F. Reynolds.....	Cheyenne, Wyo....	.....Theresa A. Jenkins
10	General Shields.....	New Castle .....	.....Ella Hahn
12	organized Jan. 12, '94 Gunnison	Gunnison .....	.....Maria B. LaCount
14	Veteran	Denver .....	.....Persis Arnold
15	U. S. Grant	Greeley .....	.....Kate E. Hanna
17	Grand Junction	Grand Junction ....	.....Adelia Ditman
19	Winfield Scott.....	Aspen .....	.....Gwendolin Powell
20	Custer	Laramie, Wyo....	.....Anna B. Holliday
24	W. T. Sherman	Evans .....	.....Maggie I. McCain
25	Thornburg	Georgetown.....	.....Edna Hood
26	George H. Thomas...	Fort Collins .....	.....Ida E. Seckner
27	Nathaniel Lyon.....	Boulder .....	.....Emma D. Adams
29	Battle Mountain	Red Cliff .....	.....Fannie McCabe
31	Kit Carson.....	Lamar .....	.....Eliza D. Wright
32	McPherson	Longmont .....	.....Mary E. Smith
34	Kilpatrick	La Junta .....	.....Jennie Ferrel
36	Akron	Akron .....	.....Glenn Langley
39	Pike's Peak	Manitou .....	.....Francis Johnston
40	M. M. Crocker	Denver .....	.....Emma C. Scrivner
41	Phil. Sheridan	Buena Vista .....	.....Julia W. Logan
42	George Washington..	Denver.. .....	.....Anna E. Cline
43	Joe Hooker.....	Monte Vista .....	.....Nettie H. Lewis
44	Holyoke	Holyoke .....	.....Julia White
45	John C. Fremont	Littleton .....	.....Mary E. Cozens
46	Maj. Anderson.....	HarrisAra Fishback
47	Phil. Kearney	PlattevilleEmily Beaman

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Woman's Relief Corps

AUXILIARY TO THE G. A. R.,
HELD AT
DENVER, COLORADO,

APRIL 22, 23 AND 24, 1896.

Roster of Woman's Relief Corps.

DEPARTMENT OFFICERS.

President.....Anna B. Holliday*
Senior Vice Pres't....Camilla S. Fair*
Junior Vice Pres't, Hester W.Hartsell*
Secretary.....Lida E. Fitch*
Treasurer.....Sadie M. Fisher*
Chaplain.....Libbie K. Daniels*
Inspector.....Lucy M. Campbell*
I. and I. Officer.....Mary U. Calvert*
Counselor.....Janette L. Todd*

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Chairman, Mary E. Ingersoll*

Adda Ulen*

Sarah B. C. Stephenson*

Ann E. Woodard*

Emma Johnson*

PAST DEPARTMENT PRESIDENTS.

Catherine C. Kennedy,

Climena G. Howard*

Mary Jewett Telford*

Mary L. Carr*

Augusta B. Henderson,

Laura S. Dodge*

America Anderson*

Janette L. Todd

PAST DEPARTMENT SECRETARIES

Helen R. Eldridge*

Josephine A. Cheeseman*

Emily R. Cohen,

Mary T. Brenbarger,

Libbie K. Daniels

Isa E. Crosby,

Sarah E. Calvert*

Olive C. Butler*

PAST DEPARTMENT TREASURERS.

Olive Hogle*

Lettie Kessler,

Mary J. Handyside,

Janette L. Todd

Ida DeLange*

Margelia E. Hamilton*

ROSTER.

FARRAGUT CORPS, NO. 1.

Denver.

Corps President.....Martissa Hinsdale*
 Past Corps Pres.Catherine C.Kennedy
 " " "Jennie McGill*
 " " "Ida DeLange
 " " "Mary A. Condit*
 " " "Minnie L. Benson*
 " " "Ellen Billow*
 Delegate.....Alice Ditson*
 "Hannah Patterson*
 Alternate.....Frank Rice
 "Samantha St. Clair

UPTON CORPS NO. 2,

Pueblo.

Corps President.....Carrie Brisack*
 Past Corps Pres.....Laura Mason
 " " "Mina Sanford*
 " " "Carrie Donaldson
 " " "Ella Weppler
 " " "Millie Bump
 Delegate.....Kate Duck*
 "Bessie French
 Alternate.....Ruth DePue*
 "Lizzie Rees

SEDGWICK CORPS, NO. 3,

Durango.

Corps President.....E. Helen Tiffany
 Past Corps Pres.....Mary A. West
 " " "E. Helen Tiffany
 Delegate.....Emma Airy
 Alternate.....Lucy M. Capron

COLORADO SPRINGS CORPS, NO. 4,

Colorado Springs.

Corps President.....Irene De Toliver*
 Past Corps Pres.....E. L. C. Dwinell*
 " " "Lucy M. Wheeler
 " " "Marion Sutton*
 " " "Louise E. Sherman*
 " " "Fredericka Langmeyer*
 " " "Anna Emmick*
 Delegate.....Eutura Clark*
 "Lettie Cappell*
 "Jennie Fical*
 Alternate.....Lydia Ellison
 "Edith Corporan
 "Addie L. Huff

T. H. DODD CORPS, NO. 5,

Golden.

Corps President..Carrie M. Carpenter*
 Past Corps Pres.....Charlotte Coe*
 " " "Mary A. Eldridge*
 " " "Sarah Russell*
 Delegate.....Ellie Tripp*
 "Rose Jasper*
 Alternate.....Dora Irwin
 "Eva Gifford

GEORGE G. MEADE CORPS, NO. 6,

Denver.

Corps President.....Stella Newman*
 Past Corps Pres.....America Anderson
 " " "Frances Klock*
 " " "Libbie K. Daniels
 " " "Parthenia McBeth*
 " " "Emma Smiddle*

Past Corps Pres.....Alice Smith*
 " " "Fannie D. Hardin*
 " " "Lyda E. Dunagan*
 " " "Anna E. Babbitt*
 " " "Carrie E. Phillips*
 Delegate.....Hannah Starbird*
 "Frances Pierce*
 "Belle Soloman*
 "Louise Platte*
 Alternate.....Emma Hobart
 "Lena Eno
 "Sarah Inman
 "Edna Hamilton

E. V. SUMNER CORPS, NO. 7,
 Silver Cliff.

Corps President.....Addie R. Stewart
 Past Corps Pres.....Carrie McNeely
 " " "Kate Brewer
 " " "Myra Lawrence
 " " "Julia Doyle
 Delegate.....Sarah White
 Alternate.....Mary Parker

JAMES A. GARFIELD CORPS, NO. 8,
 Leadville.

Corps President.....Jennie Paddock*
 Past Corps Pres.....Camilla S. Fair
 " " "Susie J. Searl
 " " "Maria D. Wolcott
 " " "Nettie Harker
 " " "Hattie Bunn
 Delegate.....Hattie Corby
 "Susan Bullard*
 "Mary E. Bond
 "Caroline Velpuss
 "Mary Jackson
 "Caroline Kistler
 Alternate.....Ella House
 "Mary Stoddard
 "Clementine Searl
 "Ann Miller
 "Maggie Telfer*
 "Eliza Ernest

J. F. REYNOLDS CORPS, NO. 9,
 Cheyenne.

Corps President.....Mary Hader
 Past Corps Pres.....Hattie E. Cowhick
 " " "May H. Maynard
 " " "Emily O'Brien
 " " "Therese A. Jenkins
 " " "Mary Hader*
 Delegate.....Katie McCabe
 "Bertha Myers*
 Alternate.....Lena Buechner
 "Jennie McCloskey

GENERAL SHIELDS CORPS, NO. 10,
 Newcastle.

Corps President.....Emma Anderson
 Past Corps Pres.....Ellen Hahn
 " " "Eva Trimble
 Delegate.....Ellen Hahn
 Alternate.....Elenor Barthell

NORTH FORK CORPS, NO. 11,
 Hotchkiss.

Corps President.....Mary P. Sheek
 Past Corps Pres.....Mary A. Miller
 Delegate.....Mary A. Miller
 "Gertrude M. Duke
 Alternate.....Laura Wilmot
 "Nettie Niles

GUNNISON CORPS, NO. 12,
 Gunnison.

Corps President.....Laura Miller
 Past Corps Pres.....Jessie S. Purrier
 " " "Emma Martin
 " " "Sarah Williams*
 Delegate.....Sarah Marsh
 "Anne Bird
 Alternate.....Mary Rainbow
 "Alma Wagener

CASPAR W. COLLINS CORPS, NO. 13,

Rawlins.

Corps President..Minnie E. Kingsford
 Past Corps Pres..Minnie E. Kingsford
 Delegate.....Mary L. Jennings
 Alternate.....Louisa Deacon*

VETERAN CORPS, NO. 14,

Denver.

Corps President.....Emma Johnson
 Past Corps Pres.....Janette L. Todd
 " " "Emily Cohen
 " " "Mary J. Handyside
 " " "Persis Arnold*
 " " "Edith M. Newland*
 " " "Dorcas Hassen*
 Delegate.....Clara Mahoney*
 "America Whist*
 "Mary E. West*
 "Arena Fair*
 Alternate.....Susie Waters
 "Kate A. Green
 "Fannie Ladd
 "Zora Hill

U. S. GRANT CORPS, NO. 15,

Greeley.

Corps President..Esther H. Randolph*
 Past Corps Pres.....Emily H. Jones*
 " " "Sarah A. Hogarty
 " " "Climena G. Howard
 " " "Jennie G. Harper*
 " " Josephine A. Chessman
 " " "Lucy J. Dresser*
 " " "Annie B. Sanborn
 " " "Kate L. Hanna
 " " "Clemontine S. Hawes*
 Delegate.....Elizabeth R. Clark
 "Rosa D. McLucas
 "Mary Mattox
 "Edith Williams*

Alternate.....Mary E. Norcross

"Linda Potter

"Fannie Oney*

"Hermine Wadlia

WADSWORTH CORPS, NO. 16,

Rocky Ford.

(Organized March 18, 1896.)

Corps President.....Flora M. Hall

GRAND JUNCTION CORPS, NO. 17,

Grand Junction.

Corps President.....Ida M. Fallis

Past Corps Pres.....Ella B. Ackerman

" " "Harriet E. Abbey

" " "Adelia Dittman

Delegate.....Emma White

"Amy Young*

Alternate.....L. A. Pitser

"Kate Goucher

R. A. CAMERON CORPS, NO. 18,

Ft. Morgan.

Corps President..Matilda J. Hotchkiss*

Past Corps Pres..Matilda J. Hotchkiss

Delegate.....Hattie H. Otis

Alternate.....Amanda M. Dodds

WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS, NO. 19,

Aspen.

Corps President...Pauline Ashbough

Past Corps Pres..Hannah R. Johnson

" " "Gwendoline Powell

" " "Olive M. Bacon*

Delegate.....Anna McKnight

"Eunice Gallagher

Alternate.....E. H. Floyd

"Mary Youngson

CUSTER CORPS, NO. 20,

Laramie.

Corps President.....Maria Baillie*
 Past Corps Pres.....Sarah W. Pease
 " " "Adda Ulen
 " " "Phebe Gearhart
 " " "Lida E. Flitch
 " " "Ann E. Woodard
 " " "Anna Bristol
 " " "Mina F. Hawkes
 " " "Anna B. Holliday
 " " "Olivia Peale
 Delegate.....Sarah E. Gardinier*
 "Sarah J. Miller
 Alternate.....Eunice P. Congdon*
 "Mary E. Bartlett

RENO CORPS, NO. 21,

Denver.

Corps President.....Lucy M. Capron*
 Past Corps Pres.....Olive Hogle
 " " "Adelia McCauley*
 " " "Lucy M. Capron
 Delegate.....Jennie E. Jones
 Alternate.....Annie W. Hunt*

MULLIGAN CORPS, NO. 22,

Springfield.

(Organized April 27, 1895.)

Corps President...Mary E. Robertson
 Past Corps Pres.....Mary E. Cole
 Delegate.....Jasie Robertson
 Alternate.....Edith Martin

J. W. ANDERSON CORPS, NO. 23,

Cripple Creek.

(Organized July 2, 1895.)

Corps President...Loretta Mumma*
 Past Corps Pres.....Alice M. Seeds*
 Delegate.....Mattie J. McDonald*
 Alternate.....Ellen K. Brewster

W. T. SHERMAN CORPS, NO. 24,

Evans.

Corps President.....L. A. Herriott
 Past Corps Pres.....Lydia C. Young*
 " " "Nellie S. Flint
 " " "Maggie McCain
 " " "L. A. Herriott*
 Delegate.....Millie Beeson
 Alternate.....Gertrude M. Flint

PFEIFFER CORPS, NO. 25,

Alamosa.

(Organized April 1, 1896.)

Corps President..Elizabeth A. Wilbur

GEORGE H. THOMAS CORPS, NO. 26,

Ft. Collins.

Corps President.....Ella Walsh*
 Past Corps Pres.....Oliva Mandeville
 " " "Sarah Stephenson
 " " "Elnora Baker
 " " "Ida E. Seckner
 " " "Franc Stannard
 Delegate.....Sarah Davis*
 "Hattie Buss*
 Alternate.....Addie Giddings
 "Hannah King

NATHANIEL LYON CORPS, NO. 27,

Boulder.

Corps President...Virginia M. Feeny*
 Past Corps Pres.M. Bewick Anderson
 " " "Laura S. Dodge
 " " "Isa E. Crosby
 " " "Emma Adams*
 " " "Kate O'Brien*
 Delegate.....Tilly Weiderhold*
 "Eva Metcalf
 "Sarah Ingersol*
 "Mary E. Fonda

Alternate.....Lucy S. Norton
 "Clara L. Whitney
 "Mary J. Oaks
 "Mary F. Fine*

STEADMAN CORPS, NO. 28,

Telluride.

(Organized April 15, 1896.)

Corps President.....Delle S. Kelsay

BATTLE MOUNTAIN CORPS, NO. 29,

Red Cliff.

Corps President.....Hattie Gay

Past Corps Pres.....Josephine Mays

" " "Dora Greiner

" " "Fannie McCabe

" " "Clara T. Pierce*

Delegate.....Lizzie Burrage*

Alternate.....Lillian Colburn

KIT CARSON CORPS, NO. 31,

Lamar.

Corps President....Maud L. Steward

Past Corps Pres.....Carrie S. Cooper

" " "Edna K. Gould

" " "Eliza A. Wright

" " "Celestia Barker

Delegate.....Minnie Doughty

Alternate.....Emma Underwood

M'PHERSON CORPS, NO. 32,

Longmont.

Corps President.....Belle Abbott*

Past Corps Pres.....Mary L. Carr

" " "Orphie E. Bacon*

" " "Eva G. Coffin*

" " "Mary E. Smith*

" " "Emily F. Beckwith*

Delegate.....Rosetta Webb*

"Charlotte Epperson*

"Hattie Vaughn*

Alternate.....Ellen Wheatley

Alternate.....Mary A. Sebern

"Bessie Vaughn

KILPATRICK CORPS, NO. 34,

La Junta.

Corps President.....Sarah E. Decker

Past Corps Pres.....C. Davis

" " "Nellie E. Brooker

" " "Catherine Jones

" " "Helen Manley

" " "Jennie Ferrell

" " "Maggie M. Lane

Delegate.....Bell Durant

Alternate.....Hattie S. Clausen

AKRON CORPS, NO. 36,

Akron.

Corps President.....Elia E. Derby

Past Corps Pres.....Nellie L. Bailey

" " "Martha Aitkens

" " "Glenn Langley

Delegate.....Maggie Pickett

Alternate.....Rachel Tague

E. M. STANTON CORPS, NO. 37,

Salida.

Corps President.....Margaret Delo*

Past Corps Pres.....Margaret Delo

Delegate.....Lizzie Smith*

"Delia F. Buell

Alternate.....Mary Warner

"Emma Comstock*

PIKE'S PEAK CORPS, NO. 39,

Manitou.

Corps President.....Mary J. Savage

Past Corps Pres...Christina Thornton

" " "Nettie Barker

" " "Francis Johnston

" " "Irene Elerick

Delegate.....Alice Barney

Alternate.....Mary J. Broughton*

M. M. CROCKER CORPS, NO. 40

• Denver.

Corps President.....Minna Rischie*
 Past Corps Pres....Lucy M. Campbell
 " " "Emma C. Scrivner
 Delegate.....Minnie Gould
 "Sarah E. Waldo*
 "Edna A. Perry*
 Alternate.....Minnie Bond
 "Amelia Crissman
 "Annie Turner

PHIL SHERIDAN CORPS, NO. 41,

Buena Vista.

Corps President.....Helen L. Berrian*
 Past Corps Pres....Mary E. Campbell
 " " "Julia W. Logan
 " " "Eliza J. Norton
 Delegate.....Helen L. Berrian
 Alternate.....Fayette Allum*

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS, NO. 42.

Denver.

Corps President.....Debra Moser*
 Past Corps Pres....Annie W. Phillips
 " " "Lou Faust*
 " " "Carrie Russell*
 Delegate.....Margretta Kauffman*
 Alternate.....Sarah J. Betts

JOE HOOKER CORPS, NO. 43,

Monte Vista.

Corps President....Effie V. B. Aldrich*
 Past Corps Pres.....Eliza F. Sickles
 " " "Effie V. B. Aldrich
 Delegate.....Belle M. Packard
 "Hattie French*
 Alternate.....Ella Shartle
 "Edith R. Timmons

HOLYOKE CORPS, NO. 44,

Holyoke.

Corps President...Lizize M. Reynolds

JOHN C. FREMONT CORPS, NO. 45,

Littleton.

Corps President.....Jennie Chapman
 Past Corps Pres.....Anna Beckwith
 " " "Carrie Rogers
 " " "Mary E. Cazens
 " " "Inez B. Hill*
 Delegate.....Dora Horton*
 Alternate.....Phoebe Casort

MAJOR ANDERSON CORPS, NO. 46,

Harris.

Corps President....Elnora C. Brown*
 Past Corps Pres.....Ara F. Lansha
 " " "Mary R. Johnson*
 Delegate.....Amelia M. Wolf*
 Alternate.....Phoebe J. Crowfoot

*Denotes members present.

†Deceased.

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PROCEEDINGS
OF
TWELFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION,
Woman's Relief Corps.

The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, assembled in the First Baptist Church, Denver, at 9 o'clock a. m., April 22nd, 1896.

Convention was called to order by Department President, Anna B. Holliday, who stated that the Credential Committee was not through with its work, and asked the pleasure of the Convention.

Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Todd, that the committee be allowed until 10 o'clock, Convention taking a recess until that time. (Carried.)

On reconvening, Department Chaplain, Libbie K. Daniels, led the Convention in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

The President announced that if there were no objections, the session would remain open during the preliminary exercises.

Fannie D. Hardin, of George G. Meade Corps, No. 6, Denver, then delivered the address of welcome, as follows: Mrs. President and Sister Members of the Woman's Relief Corps, Auxilliary to the Grand Army of the Republic:

This, to me, is one of the proudest moments of my life, standing here as I do to greet you and extend to you, the delegates and visitors of this, the Twelfth Department Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, a cordial welcome to our fair young city.

I welcome you in the name of our city; I welcome you on behalf of the Woman's Relief Corps of Denver; I welcome you in the name of the Grand Army; I welcome you for your loyalty to the old soldier and his dependent ones; I also welcome you in the name of the people who, almost four decades ago, as our pioneer poet, Greenleaf, says,

"Spied this glorious country out

And pioneered the way,"

and made it possible for this city to be built, and for us to gather here today.

Another year has passed, and with the flight of time have come our pleasures and our sorrows. Some who sat with us in convention last year have passed to the great beyond, where, gathered around the Throne, is the Grand Army of the dead. But other earnest, devoted, loyal women have been gathered in to fill up the broken ranks.

We meet here today to review and verify the work of the year, and we trust that He who doeth all things well will direct us, that all of our deliberations may be wise and harmonious. We come from two grand States—States that have recognized woman, her work and her ability as equal to that of man—where men have granted to women all their sovereign rights and privileges. We assemble, as it were, in the shadow of the grand old mountains, with the beautiful, balmy air to quicken our senses; and while we come in touch as we do with the old soldiers, the defenders of our country, and the Sons and Daughters of Veterans, let us each renew our allegiance to them, to the Order we represent, to our country and to our flag.

And, in conclusion, I again welcome you. May a spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty be with us and around us. May the bond of friendship be more firmly cemented by our coming together. And when our labors are ended and we have accomplished the purposes of this meeting, and each has gone to her respective home, may we be able to say: "Well done, good and faithful workers of the Woman's Relief Corps." I thank you.

Emma Comstock, of E. M. Stanton Corps, No. 37, Salida, read the following response, prepared by Delia Buell, of the same Corps, who was to have been present:

Members of the Relief Corps and Friends of Denver:

We thank you for your kind words, for your hearty welcome to your beautiful city. Denver is not noted for doing things in a half-hearted manner. When she extends an invitation to visiting conventions, she then reaches out a long and a strong arm of fraternal good-

will, to make all feel at home. We are sure this welcome to the Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming is no exception. We know that our kind friends will do all in their power to make our stay here pleasant, and this session of our convention profitable; that when we return to our homes we may carry with us a firm purpose to make our local Corps, in every sense, a help and a relief to the Comrades of the Grand Army, that noble band of heroes who, in the dark days of our country, so freely sacrificed home, comforts, friends and loved ones, that we might have what we this day enjoy—One Country! One Flag!

These heroes are fast passing across the line. They will answer to but few more roll-calls here. Each year many names are called to which there is no response. Their voices are silent about the camp-fires, either in song or personal reminiscence. Those who survive are fast passing into the Great Unknown.

What we do for these must be done quickly. Let us not wait to do some great, some remarkable act, that will be heralded to the country as something to be ever remembered.

“True worth is in being, not seeming—
In doing each day that goes by
Some little good—not in the dreaming
Of great things to do by and by.”

Most communities have one or more “old soldiers.” Many of these veterans are poor men whose families are dependent upon their daily toil for sustenance. The time may come—will almost surely come—when these old patriots, or their families, will need just such aid and sympathy as is in the province of the Woman’s Relief Corps to give. May we be ever on the watch, that we may do some kind act, may render some relief each day, to those who so nobly, when dangers threatened, placed property, life, all, upon their country’s altar.

To this end may we go away from here with an inspiration to know what is best to do, and with a firm purpose do what we can, at all times, to make our noble organization, not in name only, but in deed and in truth, an auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, for all noble deeds and generous acts.

The President called the Senior Vice President to the chair and proceeded to read her address:

Address of Department President.

Officers and members of the Twelfth Department Convention, W.R.C.:

It is with pleasure I greet you this morning and welcome you in all Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, to this our Twelfth Convention.

We have met for earnest work. Let the true spirit of love prevail as you pass judgment on the labor of those who have given their time and strength to serve you during the past year.

One year ago, when you brought to me the Department Presidency, a free gift, all unsought or unthought of, on my part, while I was grateful for the confidence you placed in my ability to serve you, I was conscious of the responsibilities of the position.

Not one moment have I forgotten my obligation and, realizing that I was accountable to a higher Power than the supreme authority of our beloved Order, I have conscientiously discharged the duties of the office in accordance with my promise.

I believe I have a right to ask, and I am sure I shall receive, the same loyal support upon retiring from this position, that you gave me when I entered upon its duties and which you have tendered me all through the year.

GROWTH OF THE ORDER.

Notwithstanding the stringency of the times and the fact that many members have been dropped for non-payment of dues, our membership has increased.

Four new Corps have been added to our roster.

Jas. W. Anderson Corps, No. 23, was instituted at Cripple Creek, with twenty charter members, on July 2, 1895, by Ella L. C. Dwinell.

On March 18, 1896, I had the pleasure of responding to an application for charter for a Corps at Rocky Ford. Wadsworth Corps, No. 16, was instituted with sixteen charter members.

Lucy M. Campbell effected the organization of Pfeiffer Corps, No. 25, at Alamosa, with sixteen Charter members.

Steadman Corps, No. 28, was instituted at Telluride, April 15, 1896. Delle S. Kelsay, Instituting Officer. This, the youngest Corps in the Department, begins work with twenty-one Charter members.

INSPECTION.

The work of inspection was as thorough as it was possible to make it. Scattered over two vast states, as are the Corps in our De-

partment, the work of inspection necessarily requires the expenditure of considerable time and money, and the best results should follow a task so laborious and expensive.

With the growth of our Department is felt the need of more systematic work.

Inspection brought to light many weak points, not the least of which is the lack of uniformity in keeping the Corps books.

Many Corps complain when inspectors visit them and give their personal opinions concerning the methods of keeping the books.

It would be far better for the Corps and much pleasanter for the inspecting officer could the latter say: "Thus saith the Department Convention." Therefore Recommendation No. 1, is offered:

1. That a committee be appointed at this Convention to prepare instructions to Corps Secretaries and Treasurers concerning the methods of keeping the Corps books and that the Inspector and her assistants study the same and require Corps to follow instructions.

PATRIOTIC TEACHING.

Believing that this is growing to be one of the important branches of our work, I appointed a Department committee at the beginning of the year, furnished the necessary literature and requested that the work be carried on with all possible energy

A number of Corps have succeeded in introducing the flag salute into the schools in their localities, but the work is not so general as it should be in this Department.

MEMORIAL DAY.

The one day of the year which it is our duty, as an Order, to keep sacred, is fast losing its significance. In order to present the case plainly I would call your attention to the following facts:

Commander-in-Chief, John A. Logan, established Memorial Day in 1868, by a General Order requesting the comrades of the Grand Army to "strew with flowers the graves of those who died in defense of their country."

At the National Encampment in Providence, 1877, the following resolution was adopted:

"Inasmuch as there have been some differences of opinion as to the intent and meaning of Memorial Day—therefore, Resolved, That the Grand Army of the Republic seeks thus to preserve the memory of those only who fought in defense of the National Unity."

Clara Barton, National Chaplain of the W. R. C., in 1891-2, asked a significant question in her report to National Convention when,

speaking of a failure to understand the use of the W. R. C. flags for marking the graves of members of our Order, she said: "This misunderstanding suggests a leading question, viz: 'What was the object of the day, and what graves did it propose to decorate?'. The result was the abolition of the W. R. C. flags and the omission from the Memorial Day blanks of the question: 'How many members' graves were marked with our flag and decorated?'"

May 30th has become a day for the general decoration of graves and the effect on the rising generation is not all that might be desired if we wish to keep it sacred to the purpose for which it was set aside.

Other orders are utilizing this day as a proper time in which to mark the resting places of their members

Believing the subject is worthy of your consideration, I submit Recommendation No. 2:

2. That the Corps of this Department bend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, and that if the graves of W. R. C. members are decorated, it be at some other date than May 30th.

DEPARTMENT RELIEF.

From the graves of our heroes we turn to those "helpless and needy ones" who "claim our protection and our care."

With a spirit of true, Christian charity the Relief Committee has rendered valuable aid in a number of cases. The applications for assistance have been carefully investigated and the report of the committee will show the amount expended and work accomplished.

Only the pen of the Recording Angel will write the history of the deeds of love and mercy performed by the faithful members to whom is entrusted this sacred work of relief.

A decision of the Eighth Department Convention reads: "That one and one-half per cent of per capita tax received each quarter, be placed in the Department Relief Fund." I think it was intended to read 10 per cent as one and one-half per cent would only give us about \$3 each quarter. The matter was brought before the Department Council and it was decided to place 10 per cent of per capita tax received each quarter, in the Relief Fund. Therefore I would offer Recommendation No. 3:

3. That the action of Department Council, in regard to Relief Fund, become a decision of this Convention.

SOLDIERS' HOMES.

As was stated in General Orders, a committee was appointed to

receive the money sent by Corps to the Colorado Home, and to expend the same to the best advantage. I understand that the financial condition of the Home, at present, is good and if the veterans are not in need of assistance from the Corps it would be well for this Convention to consider the practicability of establishing a fund for the erection of cottages for the wives of the old soldiers.

The Wyoming Home is easy of access and I have been able to visit it twice during the past year. I take pleasure in saying that it is under able management.

FINANCES.

We have practiced the strictest economy consistent with efficient work. No favors in the way of free railroad transportation, have been shown the Department or its officers.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming was represented at the Thirteenth National Convention by five delegates, whose close attention to business was exceeded by no other Department.

The trip to Louisville was exceedingly hard and tiresome, owing to the excessive heat of a southern city and the fact that a suspended member caused our National President great annoyance.

Because of the latter circumstance we were detained in Louisville longer than was planned, thereby increasing the work and the expense. I am pleased to tell you that four out of your five representatives remained until the gravel fell and the Thirteenth National Convention was closed.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I found it impossible to visit all the Corps in the Department. Neither time, strength nor money would permit it. As the number of Corps increases the office work of the Department President becomes more laborious. It was my good fortune to meet with twenty Corps and I take pleasure in saying that the pleasant homes which were opened to me and the uniform kindness and hospitality extended by our members and those of the Grand Army, will ever be gratefully remembered. I regret that I was not able to visit each Corps.

BADGES.

The ribbons of the badges provided for the use of delegates to National Convention, having been in use for several years, have become soiled and are no longer of value.

It will be necessary to make provision for badges for the coming

Convention and therefore Recommendation No. 4 is made:

4. That the incoming Department President appoint a committee to provide badges for the representatives to National Convention.

DISBANDED CORPS.

"Quality, not quantity," should be the motto with Departments. Corps whose members have no interest in the work, should be encouraged to disband, as the work of the Department is seriously affected by indifferent or careless work.

Geo. B. McClellan Corps, No. 16, had a short existence, disbanding ten months after its organization, because of lack of interest on the part of its members.

Difficulties of long standing in Thornburg Corps, No. 25, reached a climax, during the past year, and the Charter and supplies were sent to Headquarters.

Phil Kearney Corps, No. 47, had been in a hopeless condition for almost a year when the Charter was surrendered the first part of April. The President tried very hard to hold the Corps together but her efforts were of no avail.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Time and space forbid the mention of all those to whom I am indebted. The earnest support of the members of the Order throughout the Department has made the work of the year what it is. No one can stand alone, in a work like this, and accomplish anything.

The watchword of the year has been well lived up to by the Corps and my best wish for my successor is that she may receive the same loving help that has been given me during the past year.

Special mention is due Assistant Adjutant General Conley for his kindness in securing rates on the several railroads and for the use of G. A. R. Headquarters for Council meetings. Our sincere thanks are hereby tendered him for the many courtesies shown our Department.

To Past Department President, Mary L. Carr and Junior Vice President Hester W. Hartsell, for special help with the disbanded Corps of Platteville and Georgetown, I desire to express my thanks.

To the Department Counselor, Janette L. Todd, my grateful acknowledgments are hereby expressed for the interest she has manifested in the work of the year and for many kindnesses shown me.

To the Department officers, who have faithfully labored in the performance of their duties, I am grateful.

To Department Commander O'Brien and the members of the Grand Army, for the appreciation expressed by them for our work, we return thanks, remembering that for them we labor. Let us rise above self and, with the spirit of true patriotism that prompted them to go forth to battle for the right, with Old Glory floating over us, may we take up the duties of this Convention, which is the gateway to the coming year, broadening our views and enlarging our work, and may the Great Commander give us strength to keep in faithfulness that which is committed to our trust.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Report of Senior Vice President.

Leadville, Colo., April 19, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, W. R. C:

In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I most respectfully submit the following report, as Department Senior Vice President:

I have held myself ready and willing to do whatever might be required of me during the past year, but as my duties have been light my report will necessarily be short.

Last fall I assisted the Inspector, visiting Battle Mountain, Gen. Shields, Grand Junction and Winfield Scott Corps. My report of the inspection of those Corps will be given by the Department Inspector.

As I have been a silent member of the Department Council this year, I wish to congratulate the Department officers in the advancement they have made in introducing the "Flag Salute" in our Public schools. This should be a work dear to every member of the W. R. C., and I hope that every Corps will make this a specialty in next year's work.

We cannot instill too much love of country into the hearts of our children, especially the love and devotion to our noble "banner of the free."

"Beautiful flag, our Nation's pride,
Long may thy stars and stripes float wide,
O'er the land and o'er the sea;
Flag of our Nation, beautiful flag!"

Let us strive to make this Convention one of the most successful ever held in the history of our Order, so when we return to our homes, we will feel that we have spent our time and money well.

As time is precious to those that serve this Order, I hope we will all try to be as speedy as possible and that all talk and resolutions will be given in a friendly, yet, right to the point, manner. This will greatly assist our officers.

In laying down the Department work, I do so with a sisterly love toward all, thanking those with whom I have been associated for their kind treatment to me.

To the incoming officers I will say that I trust you will attain all the success possible, that the years that are to come will surpass those of the past. Again thanking one and all.

I am respectfully yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,

Department Senior Vice President.

Report of Junior Vice President.

Denver, Colo., April 15, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary W. R. C:

Dear Madam:—In accordance with Rules and Regulations, I present through you, to the Twelfth Annual Department Convention, my report of the work of the year as Junior Vice President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

Soon after my election to the office, I received a letter from the Department President, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, assuring me of her confidence in my ability to assist her, and I have tried to so attend to the duties assigned to me that that confidence might be well earned. I have since, from time to time, received words of commendation and appreciation of the efforts put forth.

The work of the year has not been without its shadows, but, notwithstanding this, has also been a continued source of pleasure, in my being able to serve this noble cause.

I have officially visited each of the Corps in Denver, besides those in several suburban towns, and for the most part found the work carried on in accordance with Rules and Regulations, and for the very best "Good of the Order."

Early in the year, the Department Inspector, Lucy M. Campbell,

appointed me to assist in the work of inspection, and the following Corps were assigned to me:

M. M. Crocker, No. 40, and Geo. Washington, No. 42 of Denver.

T. H. Dodd, No. 5, Golden, John C. Fremont, No. 45, Littleton, Major Anderson, No. 46, Harris, and Thornburg, No. 25, at Georgetown.

Most of this work was accomplished during October and November. Wherever I went I was received with the most hearty good will. A full account of my work will be given in the report of the Department Inspector.

Trouble in Thornburg, No. 25, at Georgetown, made it necessary for more than inspection, and the Department President sent me there with instructions to try and adjust the difficulty or call in the Charter.

After consulting with all the members accessible, it seemed wise and best to disband this Corps, so this was done after learning that due notice had been given and the full requirements of the Rules and Regulations had been complied with. It was the earnest wish and desire that at no very distant day this Corps should be reorganized with their old number.

Soon after the election of Corps officers for 1896, I was invited to install those of the Corps at Littleton. This ceremony was both joint and public. It was a regular ovation and was enjoyed by all. In closing my brief report, I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all my superior officers for the kind consideration that has been shown me during the year, and with an earnest desire for the prosperity of our noble Order.

I respectfully submit this report
in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty.

HESTER. W. HARTSELL.

Department Junior Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

Laramie, Wyo., April 22, 1896.

Anna B. Holliday, Department President:

Madam:—In obedience to the rules of our Order, I herewith submit to you the following report of the membership and condition of this Department for my official year.

When you assumed the duties of your office, there were in the Department thirty-seven Corps with a membership of 1,373.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER, 1895.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Charter.....	53	By Death.....	2
By Initiation.....	88	By Honorable Discharge	11
By Transfer.....	18	By Transfer.....	23
By Reinstatement.....	17	By Suspension.....	98
	—	By Dishonorable Dis-	
Total	176	charge	1
		By Delinquent Reports.	14
			—
		Total	149

Number in good standing June 30th, 1895, 1,400.

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER, 1895.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Initiation.....	39	By Death.....	3
By Transfer.....	6	By Honorable Discharge	13
By Reinstatement.....	65	By Transfer.....	9
	—	By Suspension.....	46
Total	110	By Delinquent Reports.	144
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		Total	215

Number in good standing, Sept. 30th, 1895, 1,295.

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER, 1895.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Initiation.....	63	By Death.....	4
By Transfer.....	5	By Honorable Discharge	24
By Reinstatement.....	192	By Transfer.....	18
	—	By Suspension.....	45
Total	260		—
		Total	91

Total membership December 31st, 1895, 1,464.

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER, 1896.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Charter.....	16	By Death.....	6
By Initiation.....	63	By Honorable Discharge	25
By Transfer.....	7	By Transfer.....	22
By Reinstatement.....	21	By Suspension.....	63
	—	By Delinquent Reports.	30
Total.	107		—
		Total.	146

Members in good standing March 31st, 1896, 1,425.

Net gain for the year, in membership, 52.

RELIEF.

Cash.		Other than Money.	
Second Quarter, 1895....	\$ 358 53	Second Quarter, 1895....	\$ 212 35
Third Quarter, 1895....	288 45	Third Quarter, 1895....	161 95
Fourth Quarter, 1895....	516 75	Fourth Quarter, 1895....	781 90
First Quarter, 1896....	458 63	First Quarter, 1896....	431 60
Total	\$1622 36	Total	\$1587 80

Donations to the two soldiers' homes in our Department are included in the above amounts.

Number of Members Assisted.		Number of Soldiers and Their Families Assisted.	
Second Quarter, 1895.....	34	Second Quarter, 1895.....	189
Third Quarter, 1895.....	30	Third Quarter, 1895.....	137
Fourth Quarter, 1895.....	34	Fourth Quarter, 1895.....	290
First Quarter, 1896.....	45	First Quarter, 1896.....	255
Total	143	Total	871

The following Corps, having sent in correct reports on or before the fifth day of the month, following the close of each quarter, are upon the

ROLL OF HONOR FOR THE YEAR.

Farragut	No. 1	Grand Junction....	No. 17
Upton	No. 2	R. A. Cameron....	No. 18
Sedgwick	No. 3	Custer	No. 20
Colorado Springs...	No. 4	W. T. Sherman....	No. 24
Geo. G. Meade.....	No. 6	Battle Mountain....	No. 29
J. A. Garfield.....	No. 8	Kit Carson.....	No. 31
J. F. Reynolds.....	No. 9	McPherson	No. 32
C. W. Collins.....	No. 13	Phil Sheridan.....	No. 41
Veteran	No. 14	Joe Hooker.....	No. 43
U. S. Grant.....	No. 15	J. C. Fremont.....	No. 45

CORPS DISBANDED.

Thornburgh Corps, No. 25, Georgetown, Nov. 26, 1895.

Geo. B. McClellan Corps, No. 16, Delta, Nov. 30, 1895.

Phil Kearney Corps, No. 47, Platteville, March, 1896.

These Corps disbanded in regular form, sending in all supplies to Department Headquarters.

CORPS ORGANIZED.

J. W. Anderson Corps, No. 23, Cripple Creek, July 2nd, 1895, with twenty Charter members.

Wadsworth Corps, No. 16, Rocky Ford, March 18th, 1896, with sixteen Charter members.

Pfeiffer Corps, No. 25, Alamosa, April 1st, 1896, with fourteen Charter members.

Steadman Corps, No. 28, Telluride, April 15th, 1896, with twenty-one Charter members.

The two latter Corps, having been instituted since March 31st, of course will appear in this quarter's report and materially increase the membership of the Department.

Eight General Orders and two Circular letters from National Headquarters; nine General and two Special orders from the Department, the Journal of the Eleventh Annual Convention, the pass-words—National and Department—and the various blanks have been promptly sent to all entitled to receive them.

I have not kept account of letters written, but they have not been few in number.

In my judgment a comparison of the Corps of the Department would not only be "odious," as comparisons in general are said to be, but manifestly unfair for the reason that the conditions in different localities vary so greatly.

The Denver Corps, for instance, must have difficulties in the way of receiving and holding members and expending relief that are practically unknown in the small towns, where the advent of a stranger is of general knowledge and interest. And on the other hand, the scattered membership of country districts is a serious obstacle to the maintenance of Corps.

Those brave Presidents—and there are several of them in the Department—who travel miles to attend Corps meetings—often failing after the effort, to find a quorum present, command my warm admiration.

One thing I wish I might impress upon every Corps President in this Convention. The installing officer should be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of Corps officers, the names written in full and properly spelled.

Doubtless the Roster of this Convention is full of mistakes which have called down sundry anathemas, but your Secretary has written numerous letters and given hours of time to the bringing of said Roster to its present state, most of which might have been avoided, if proper oversight had been given in each Corps.

Much of the labor with the reports could also be saved the Department, by the exercise of more care upon the part of Corps officers, but this is no new story.

The laborious year just closing has not been without its compensations. My relations with you, Mrs. President, and with the other Department officers, have been harmonious. My letters of inquiry or correction to different Corps, have invariably met with courteous replies and the conscientious workers throughout the Department, with whom I have been brought into official relations, many of whom are known to me, but by name, have my sincere thanks.

And now, in surrendering the work into other hands, it is with an earnest wish for the welfare of our Order. I think we may congratulate ourselves if, in these times of general financial distress, our numbers increase, be it ever so slowly.

May we never forget that we are banded together to assist the Grand Army of the Republic in its noble work.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Report of Department Treasurer.

Cheyenne, Wyoming, April 21st, 1896.

To Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

Madam: In complying with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I take pleasure, and have the honor, to submit the following statement and report for the year just closing:

Sadie M. Fisher, Department Treasurer, In account with the Woman's Relief Corps, 1895 and 1896.

GENERAL FUND.

Debits.

May 4th, 1895, From Mrs. Margelia E. Hamilton.....	\$ 315 99
May 4th, 1895, From Mrs. Opp, Initiation fee.....	1 00
From Per Capita tax.....	862 25
From Sale of Supplies.....	262 87
From From Charter Fees.....	20 00
From Alamosa, for Instituting Corps.....	5 00

\$1,467 11

Credits.

By Supplies and Transportation on same.....	\$ 231 04
By Per Capita Tax.....	86 98
By Printing Journals.....	130 00
By Printing General Orders and Stationery.....	54 95
By Printing Labels and Statements.....	2 25
By Inspection.....	107 70
By Salaries of Department Secretary and Treasurer.....	100 00
By Instituting Corps at Springfield.....	5 00
By Instituting Corps.....	12 25
By Postage and Telegrams, Department Officers.....	69 45
By Transfer to Relief Fund.....	67 66
By Official Visits, Department President.....	26 15
By Expenses to National Convention Department President..	70 00
By Expenses to Department Convention, Department President, Secretary and Treasurer.....	45 00
By Rosters, Badges, Stationery and Telegrams, Department Convention	36 00
By Banner Case.....	32 00
By Insurance on Banner.....	3 00
By Per Capita Book and Postage on same.....	2 94
By Supply Ledger and Expressage on same.....	8 50
By Engrossing Charters.....	4 00
By Auditing Books.....	4 65
By Work on Record.....	1 00
By Freight, Expressage, Telegrams and Postage.....	8 99
By Patriotic Literature and Postage on same.....	1 35

Total.....	\$1,110 86
Balance on hand.....	356 25

\$1,467 11

RELIEF FUND.

Debits.

May 4th, 1895, From Mrs. Margelia E. Hamilton.....	\$ 32 17
Transferred from General Fund.....	67 66
Donations to Colorado Soldiers' Home.....	134 25
Donations to Wyoming Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.....	6 00
Donations to National W. R. C. Home.....	11 00
Donations to Memorial Day in the South.....	20 00

\$271 08

Credits.

By Chairman of Department Relief Committee.....	\$ 60 00
By Colorado Soldiers' Home.....	133 25
By Wyoming Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.....	6 00
By National W. R. C. Home.....	1 50
By National Headquarter's Relief Fund.....	10 00
By Memorial Day in the South.....	20 00
Total	\$230 75
Balance on hand.....	40 33
	\$271 08

LIST OF SUPPLIES.

85 Badges	\$34 00
12 Rituals of 1895 and 54 of 1893.....	16 50
18 Silver and 4 National and 32 Bronze Emblems.....	1 63
1¾ yards Membership Ribbon.....	43
10¼ yards of Corps Officer's Ribbon.....	12 56
1 yard National Ribbon.....	25
9¼ yards Department Ribbon.....	2 31
15 Service Books.....	3 75
7 Burial and Memorial Books.....	70
40 Rules and Regulations.....	2 80
15 Applications for Membership.....	15
134 Arrearage Blanks.....	67
4 Corps Requisitions Blanks.....	80
6 Copies Sheet Music, (Opening).....	60
5 Initiation Marches.....	1 25
116 Ode Cards.....	1 74
29 Discharge Cards.....	58
43 Transfer Cards.....	86
32 Visiting Cards.....	64
4 Journals.....	3 20
5 Ledgers	4 50
5 Cash	4 50
5 Diagrams Parliamentary Laws.....	3 75
5 Roll Members.....	4 50
56 Invoice Supply Blanks.....	37
4 Corps Secretary's Order Books.....	2 00
3 Treasurer's Receipt Books.....	1 50
1 General Order File.....	60

5 Letter Files.....	3 50
5 Red Books.....	3 25
1 Beath's Blue Book.....	1 00
1 Electro, (large).....	35

Total\$85 24

DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

18 Blank Commissions.....	\$ 90
Banners	250 00
19 Delegate's Badges.....	38 00
1 Supply Ledger.....	6 50
1 Per Capita Tax Book.....	2 94
1 Seal	3 00
1 Charter	10 00
1 Pair Scales.....	1 50
49 Gilt Seals.....	31
1 Service Book.....	50
¾ yards Charter Ribbon.....	31
1 Department Secretary's Order Book.....	65
1 Hecktograph	3 50

Total\$318 11

1 Department Requisition Blank.....	
5 Secretary's and Treasurer's Consolidated Blanks.....	

ASSETS.

Cash on Hand, General Fund.....	\$356 25
Cash on Hand, Relief Fund.....	40 33
Supplies on Hand.....	85 24
Department Property	318 00

Total\$799 82

RECOMMENDATION NO. 1.

I would recommend that 10 per cent of Per Capita Tax received each quarter be transferred to the Relief Fund. A misunderstanding has existed regarding the amount of Per Capita Tax for the Relief Fund. In the Journal of proceedings of the Seventh Annual Convention of this Department, it was recommended by Mrs. Smiddle, the then chairman of Department Relief Committee, that "one and one-half cents of the Per Capita Tax be set aside for the Department Relief Fund." In the Journal of the Eighth Convention, held at

Boulder, decision No. 3 reads: "That one and one-half per cent of Per Capita Tax received each quarter be placed in the Department Relief Fund, so that aid can be rendered without calling upon Corps."

RECOMMENDATION NO. 2.

That Corps Treasurers, living in cities, give their street and number on quarterly reports.

RECOMMENDATION NO. 3.

When Corps Treasurers fail to send postage for supplies, but request them sent by mail, the Department Treasurer shall send by express, thereby avoiding misunderstanding regarding postage.

One year ago when I received the books and materials necessary for the work of Department Treasurer, I entered upon the discharge of my duties with the full determination of giving all my time and heart to the work, with a sincere desire to accomplish something for the good of the Order. That I have fallen far short of my hopes and ambitions in that respect, no one can know better than I do myself; yet in all instances I have endeavored to do my work promptly and faithfully, I have tried to obey the Golden Rule; to do to others as I would wish to be done by. My official relations with all my co-workers have been most pleasant and agreeable, so that whatever burden of labor has been attached to my duties has been lightened by the kindly expressed assurance of feeling.

To the Corps Treasurers who have sent loving words and courteous expressions I can only say, that as our business relations are soon to be severed, I will wish the very best of life's pleasure and success for each one, and when the evening's twilight hour draws nigh and thoughts of the members of the W. R. C. arise, your kindness shall cheer my heart. And in our work for these faithful tried and true may we ever realize that:

"Up many a fortress wall,
They charged—those boys in blue—
'Mid surging smoke, the volly'd ball;
The bravest were the first to fall!
To fall for me and you.
'A debt we ne'er can pay,
To them is justly due,
And to the nation's latest day
Our children's children still shall say,
'They died for me and you!"

"Four hundred thousand of the brave
Made this, our ransomed soil, their grave,
For me and you!
Good friend for me and you."

To Mr. Geo. Ady, Past Department Commander, I am deeply indebted for courtesies extended.

And now to you, Mrs. President, how can I express my feelings? Words fail me! You have ever been patient, kind and forbearing. I wish to convey my warmest thanks for your endurance of my many shortcomings, but can only say: "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." You have made me, as well as all others, feel you are not a W. R. C. woman in name only, but that you are truly and fraternally one, whose aim and ambition is to guard the interests and promote the welfare of our Order. Again I thank you.

Respectfully submitted in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

SADIE M. FISHER,
Department Treasurer.

Report of Department Chaplain.

Denver, Colo., April 22, 1896.

Mrs. Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Chaplain of this Department, for the year closing June 30, 1895.

I am glad to be able to say that throughout the entire Department a decided interest was manifested in Memorial Day services. Notwithstanding the day was marked by the worst storm of the season, extending throughout the Department, thirty-five Corps report attending in a body, representing a membership of 1,402.

Number of members taking part in Memorial Day services, 641.

Number of children taking part, 1,061.

Number of soldiers' graves decorated, 2,008.

Amount of cash expended, \$256.23.

Thirty-five Corps prepared memorials to the unknown dead.

Ten Corps furnished refreshments for Posts.

The names of deceased members that have been furnished to me are as follows:

Mrs. Anna Gavitt, Colorado Springs Corps, died July 30, 1895. She was alternate to the National Convention at Louisville, Ky.

Mrs. Almeda Kellogg, died August 18, 1895. At the time of her death was President of Geo. Washington Corps.

Mrs. Harriet McOwen, of E. V. Sumner Corps, died September 13, 1895.

Mrs. Sallie Bruce, of Nathaniel Lyon Corps, died October 10, 1895.

Mrs. Mary Kitchel, of Geo. H. Thomas Corps, died December, 1895.

Mrs. Mae Keeney, of Geo. G. Meade Corps, died December 9, 1895.

Mrs. E. Lehman, of Veteran Corps, died January 13, 1896.

Mrs. Mary Blinn, of M. M. Crocker Corps, died January 27, 1896.

Mrs. Carrie Copeland, of Sedgewick Corps, died February, 1896.

Mrs. Mary Pendleton, J. V. President of McPherson Corps, died February 14, 1896.

Mrs. Neva Stats, of Red Cliff, died March 7, 1896.

Mrs. Ada Herrick, of James A. Garfield Corps, died March 12, 1896, an army nurse, aged 76 years.

Mrs. Mary Yates, of McPherson Corps, Past Corps Chaplain, died April 7, 1896.

Mrs. Jennie Jones, charter member of Reno Corps, died April 3, 1896. At the time of her death she was Assistant Conductor of the Corps and delegate to Department Convention.

"And I hear those voices whisper.

From the far-off spirit shore;

'Think not of us as perished.

We're not lost, but gone before.'"

I suggest that every Corps President more fully realize that it is part of her work to see that reports are sent to Department Chaplain immediately after Memorial Day, thereby giving that officer sufficient time to condense the reports for the National Chaplain.

I also suggest that General Orders, containing the address of the Department Chaplain, be sent to Corps Chaplains. This would, in my opinion, insure more prompt returns from those officers.

I extend thanks to all the members and officers with whom I have been associated during the past year, for many courtesies. I hope the incoming year may be one of prosperity to our Order.

Yours in Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty,

LIBBIE K. DANIELS,

Department Chaplain.

Memorial Report of Department Chaplain, W. R. C., for the Year 1895.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATIONS	Membership of Corps.	No. members taking part in Memorial Day services.	Did Corps as a body attend the Sabbath Memorial service?	How many soldiers graves were decorated?	How many children took part?	What expense was incurred?	Were refreshments provided for the Post?	Were flowers provided Post by purchase or contribution?	Was a memorial prepared to "Unknown Dead."	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAINS.
Farragut...	1	Denver	45	20	No	500	\$ 30	\$ 3 50	Yes	Pur.	Yes	Stormy weather prevailed. Memorial services in the evening.
Upton	2	Pueblo	40	20	Yes	83	30	10 50		Both	No	Storm prevented children taking part.
Seidewick	3	Durango	24	16	"	30	1	85	Yes	Con.	Yes	"
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Springs	47	21	"	72	10			"	"	Owing to storm, graves decorated June 9
T. H. Hold	5	Golden	45	21	"	94	1			"	"	Interesting exercises in the evening.
Geo. G. Meade	6	Denver	90	8	"	400	25	4 50		Pur.	"	Storm prevented a parade.
E. V. Sumner	7	Silver Cliff	15	8	"	1025	54	35 00	"	Both	"	Lunch furnished by C. E. S. No parade.
James A. Garfield	8	Leadville	101	60	"	1025	54	1 00	"	Con.	"	The parade the largest.
J. F. Reynolds	9	Cheyenne, Wyo.	37	11	"	6	30	3 00	"	"	"	First since organization of Corps.
Gen'l Shields	10	Newcastle	16	34	"	12	35		"	"	"	Stormy day.
North Fork	11	Hutchins	31	9	"	400	35	1 50	"	Pur.	"	Graves decorated by the G. A. R.
Gunnison	12	Rawlins	18	75	"	32	30	5 00	"	Both	"	Very stormy day.
Caspar W. Collins	13	Denver	109	16	"	13	14	20 00		Both	"	Rained all day.
U. S. Grant	15	Delta	20	10	"	50	47	11 25		Both	"	Stormed all day.
Geo. B. McClellan	16	Grand Junction	40	20	"	435	100	1 00	"	Both	"	Memorial prepared to Gen. Sherman.
Grand Junction	17	Fort Morgan	25	18	"	11	80	16 00		Con.	"	Memorial prepared to Gen. Lyon.
R. A. Cameron	18	Aspen	47	40	"	33	25	10 00		Pur.	"	On account of storm, plans not carried out.
Winfield Scott	19	Laramie, Wyo.	13	4	"	11	20	5 00		Con.	"	No parade
Custer	20	Denver	19	18	"	400	30	1 85		"	"	Very stormy.
Reno	21	Evans	18	9	"	400	30			Pur.	"	Graves decorated by S. of V.
W. T. Sherman	24	Georgetown	14	3	"	25	100			Con.	"	
Thorburg	25	Pt. Collins	44	18	"	36	6			"	"	
Geo. H. Thomas	26	Boilder	86	50	"	54	25			"	"	
Nathaniel Lyon	27	Red Cliff	23	12	"	6				"	"	
Battle Mountain	29	Lamar	25	27	"	33				"	"	
Kit Carson	31	Longmont	55	27	"	14	20			"	"	
McPherson	32	La Junta	14	14	"	1				"	"	
Kilpatrick	34	Akron	10	15	"	400	30			"	"	
Albion	36	Salida	No report	No report	"	25	100			"	"	
E. M. Stanton	37	Manitou	No report	No report	"	36	6			"	"	
Pike's Peak	39	Denver	50	4	"	9	12			"	"	
M. M. Crocker	40	Buena Vista	27	7	"	100	12			"	"	
Phil Sheridan	41	Denver	27	12	No	36	6			"	"	
George Washington	42	Monte Vista	25	14	Yes	9	12			"	"	
Joe Hooker	43	Holyoke	22	17	"	7	12			"	"	
John C. Fremont	44	Littleton	19	13	"	7	12			"	"	
John C. Fremont	45	Harris	13	13	"	7	12			"	"	
Mat. Anderson	46	Plateville	16	8	"	7	12			"	"	
Phil Kearney	47	Plateville	16	8	"	7	12			"	"	
			1436	639		4354	1071	\$256 23			No	W. R. C. did not take part in exer- Very stormy.

Report of Department Inspector.

Mrs. Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, W. R. C:

Another year's work having been completed in our Order, I have the honor to submit the following report of that part of the work which was placed in my hands.

At the beginning of the time for inspection there were forty-two Corps in the Department. Word was received from Geo. B. McClellan Corps No. 16, at Delta, that no interest was manifested by the members. At one time the Corps' President rode twenty-two miles to attend Corps meeting and not another member was present; therefore it was deemed advisable for the Corps to disband, and it was not inspected. Four Corps were not visited by an Inspecting Officer, E. V. Summer, No. 7, Akron, No. 36, Holyoke, No. 44 and Phil Kearney, No. 47. Each of these sent in reports properly filled out, with the exception of No. 47, from which we could never receive any reply, although repeatedly written to, both officially and otherwise.

The following Corps were inspected by Department President, Mrs. Holliday:

J. F. REYNOLDS, No. 9, Cheyenne. The members of this Corps are interested in the work. The exemplification of the ritual was excellent.

C. W. COLLINS, No. 13, Rawlins. Though a new Corps the members know well the objects of our Order. The Post is very proud of its auxiliary. The ritualistic work is good and I have great confidence in No. 13, as the members study carefully the Rules and Regulations.

U. S. GRANT, No. 15, Greeley. I think all that could be said of this excellent Corps has been given in reports of previous inspectors. As long as U. S. Grant Corps contains so many members actuated by high principles, as is the case at present, the Department need have no fears for the work at Greeley.

CUSTER, No. 20, Laramie. The ritualistic work is good and the books of Secretary and Treasurer excellently kept. This Corps ranks among the first in relief work.

W. T. SHERMAN, No. 24, Evans. Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty prevail in this Corps and there is good work being done. With

a membership of but sixteen, this Corps sent \$10 to the Colorado Soldiers' Home and \$5 to the Home in Wyoming. The ritualistic work was good.

GEO. H. THOMAS, No. 26, Ft. Collins. A great deal of relief work is being done by this Corps. On account of the illness of the President the Senior Vice President was compelled to preside, which she did in a very creditable manner. The work of the Secretary and Treasurer is well done.

The following were inspected by Department Senior Vice President Mrs. Camilla S. Fair:

GEN. SHIELDS, No. 10, Newcastle. This Corps is making good progress. They have fitted up a room and are very cozy and comfortable. They are anxious to learn all they can of the work and seemed thankful for all instructions. I am well pleased with the outlook for this Corps.

GRAND JUNCTION, No. 17, Grand Junction. The attendance at inspection was very large. They seem to be inspired with new life and I look forward to a very prosperous year. Books of Secretary and Treasurer well kept.

WINFIELD SCOTT, No. 19, Aspen. The downfall of silver has affected this Corps more than any other, as so many mines have closed down, people have moved away and the Corps has lost some of its best members, but they seem quite hopeful and the President said: "I look for a boom in the Corps during the next year."

BATTLE MOUNTAIN, No. 29, Red Cliff. They understand the work. The books are well kept and the Department need have no fears of this Corps.

The following Corps were inspected by Hester W. Hartsell, Junior Vice President:

T. H. DODD, No. 5, Golden. While I find the work in the Corps room is not perfect in each detail, reports show splendid work done in connection with Post and relief.

M. M. CROCKER, No. 40, Denver. The work of this Corps is good. While laboring under the disadvantage at the last moment of having three of the officers absent because of sickness, selections were made from the floor members, who filled the places satisfactorily; showing that careful work of the ritual had been made a study by all of the members. This is a number one Corps. Several of my own Corps made this visit with me.

J. C. FREMONT, No. 45, Littleton. While all of the officers do

their work well, to much cannot be said of the beautiful work of the Conductor. The Corps has reported its amount in relief other than money, at only about one-fifth of what has been done.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, No. 42, Denver. The work of the year was disturbed early by the death of their beloved President, Mrs. Kellogg. Irregular attendance of officers is not conducive to perfect work. This Corps is always ready with a relief fund to assist the needy.

MAJOR ANDERSON, No. 46, Harris. I am at a loss to know what to say as the Corps is not in harmony with the Post, thus making very hard work for the few banded together for the good of the Order. One thing is certain, a few noble women are determined to keep Major Anderson, No. 46, together.

THORNBURGH, No. 25, Georgetown. Proper notice having been given with the authority to use my best judgment, from Department President, it was found best for this Corps to disband, after hearing the statement, and so called in the Charter and supplies and forwarded them to Headquarters. This was indeed a sad task, especially to me, having entered as a charter member, and served as Secretary during my residence in Georgetown extending over a period of several years. I am in hopes that at some future day this Corps will be reorganized for there is much work to do amongst our old comrades there.

The following Corps I personally visited and in every instance was most cordially received and entertained.

FARRAGUT, No. 1, Denver. This band of earnest women does a great deal of relief work which is the main object of our association. Books well kept.

Upton, No. 2, Pueblo. I find the books properly kept and the Corps doing good work. They reported having just sent a box to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista.

SEDGEWICK, No. 3, Durango. This far away Corps deserves great credit for the interest manifested, a great deal of relief work is done among the old veterans and their dependent ones.

COLORADO SPRINGS, No. 4, Colorado Springs. Found this a wide awake Corps and fully alive to our noble work; splendid officers and books in good condition.

GEO. G. MEADE, No. 6, Denver. This Corps does splendid relief work. They have been unfortunate in having to change officers during the year but all has been made straight.

JAS. A. GARFIELD, No. 8, Leadville. I find this one of the most enthusiastic Corps in the Department. Much interest is manifested

among the members. Books correct. During the year they have initiated 49 members.

GUNNISON, No. 12, Gunnison. A good Corps, but they have not had the credit in giving in their report of "other than money," having done their work outside instead of among the old soldiers or their families.

VETERAN, No. 14, Denver. The ritualistic work of this Corps is fine. Books splendid. No old veteran or his dependent who needs aid is ever turned away.

R. A. CAMERON, No. 18, Ft. Morgan. This Corps, I am proud to report, is doing nicely, although it was organized but a year ago. The ritualistic work will excel many of the older Corps. Thus far they have had no relief work, but they are ready and willing to do "whatever their hands find to do." They are fortunate in being auxiliary to a splendid Post. Secretary's and Treasurer's work well done.

RENO, No. 21, Denver. The work of Reno Corps is splendid. Books above the average, good relief work is done.

JAS. W. ANDERSON, No. 23, Cripple Creek. A Corps of earnest women, and they have a great field for labor at home, as many old soldiers go to Cripple Creek to seek employment, yet they gave me \$2.50 for the home at Monte Vista.

NATHANIEL LYON, No. 27, Boulder. This is one of the best Corps in the Department, both in ritualistic and relief work. The books are the best I have found. The object of every officer and member is to "Specially aid and assist the Grand Army of the Republic."

KIT CARSON, No. 31, Lamar. I fear that politics have somewhat interfered with our charitable work in this Corps. There are no poor among the soldiers or their families, and all are able to pay their dues, so relief work was quite forgotten. I hope for a better future.

McPHERSON, No. 32, Longmont. A good working Corps. Books fine, all general orders preserved and properly filed. One-third of all money received set aside for relief fund.

KILPATRICK, No. 34, La Junta. I find this one of the weak Corps needing much instruction. All are willing to do what they can.

E. M. STANTON, No. 37, Salida. Every member was in attendance at the time of inspection. Only having been organized the present year they are prosperous and the outlook is good.

PIKE'S PEAK, No. 39, Manitou. The President was sorely afflicted by the recent death of her husband and so was not present. Senior Vice President sick. The Junior Vice President presided and

did very nicely. The books are in good condition. The few faithful ones are somewhat discouraged, yet I feel their afflictions will in time pass by and No. 39 will rank with any.

PHIL. SHERIDAN, No. 41, Buena Vista. Treasurer met me and together we called on the Secretary, examined books, found the Auditing committee had not performed its part of the work. No meeting was held and the few members were discouraged.

JOE HOOKER, No. 43, Monte Vista. This is a splendid Corps. They have an opportunity that no other Corps has to help the soldiers at the Home, as they can go and see for themselves and understand the wants. They are doing much good. Each lady voted to donate a pair of pillow cases to the Home, as a Thanksgiving offering.

The following Corps sent in their reports, and notes were given by their respective Presidents.

E. V. SUMMER, No. 7, Silver Cliff. The members are very much discouraged, Department officers having failed to visit them for some time.

AKRON, No. 36, Akron. President reports "correct."

NORTH FORK, No. 11, Hotchkiss. Mrs. Nellie Bailey, Assistant Inspector, reports the members very energetic and enthusiastic. They have had very little call for relief work but have raised nearly \$100 towards building a hall, by giving dinners and entertainments. Their regular meetings are always well attended.

MULLIGAN, No. 22, Springfield. Was inspected by Mrs. Wright, of Lamar, who rode across the prairie 60 miles in a sand storm, only one house by the way. Finds the Corps will do good work and be a benefit to the Post when they understand the work better.

I find the Auditing Committees in nearly all of the Corps have gone through their form of work, but in many instances have been careless and supposed their work well done by signing their names. Very much depends on this committee in doing the work in a more careful manner.

I also found in many Corps that General Orders were read in a hurried manner, no expression given to any of the thoughts they might contain. These Orders are issued for our instruction and should be obeyed accordingly.

Eastern Departments have the advantage of District Conventions, but in a Department like ours, scattered over such a vast territory, it is impossible to have this advantage; some other method must be adopted whereby the work may be made more uniform. I would therefore recommend that some arrangement be made at this Con-

vention by which Corps may all receive the same instruction in regard to methods of keeping books.

Number of Corps at the beginning of inspection.....	42
Disbanded	2
Number remaining in good standing.....	40
Total membership in Corps.....	1,435
Gain in membership since last report.....	113
Number of regular meetings during the year.....	970
Average attendance of officers.....	6
Average attendance of officers and members.....	14
Amount in relief fund.....	\$579 91
Cash expended during the year.....	\$1,867 94
Estimated value of relief other than money.....	1,331 55
Turned over to Posts.....	253 60
Total expended for relief.....	3,453 09

To Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27, belongs the honor of the largest amount of relief in cash, \$251.69. Also other than money, \$196.20.

To Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8, for the largest membership, 112.

To J. F. Reynolds, No. 9, for the most money turned over to the Post, \$55.70.

JAS. A. GARFIELD CORPS, No. 8, Leadville, deserves great credit for the work of erecting a monument to the unknown dead, at an expense of \$200.

The cost of inspection was greatly lessened on account of the reduced rates we were able to secure through the efforts of General W. H. Conley, Assistant Adjutant General of the Grand Army, to whom we wish to extend our grateful thanks, and also for the many courtesies extended. The cost of inspection was \$107.

I wish to thank all who have assisted me in the work of inspection. Many miles must be traveled to visit the far-away Corps, and it seems almost impossible to reach some of them.

To each Corps, which I personally visited, do I wish to extend my most heartfelt thanks for every kindness. In every instance was I so warmly welcomed, nothing but pleasant memories will ever remain.

To our President, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, I am not able to express my gratitude, but I shall ever carry the conviction that she has shown me extreme partiality.

Having tried to do the work assigned me, I respectfully submit it for your consideration.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
Department Inspector.

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NAME OF CORPS.	No. of Corps.	LOCATION.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Barren...	1	Denver	45	43	8	16	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	\$1.00	\$2.00	None
St. Louis...	2	St. Louis	50	37	8	13	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	1.00	1.50	\$5.00
St. Paul...	3	St. Paul	23	22	8	12	No	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	\$3.00
Colorado Springs...	4	Colorado Springs	23	56	8	21	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.20	11.42
T. H. Dodd...	5	Golden	24	42	8	15	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	11.42
George G. Meade...	6	Denver	81	87	4	38	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	20.25
E. V. Sumner...	7	Silver Cliff	50	103	4	6	"	"	No	No	"	"	1.00	2.00	31.00
Jas. A. Garfield...	8	Leadville	50	112	8	23	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	1.00	2.00	5.00
J. F. Reynolds...	9	Cheyenne	23	35	8	13	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	1.00	1.00	11.70
Gen. Shields...	10	Newcastle	20	22	0	20	"	"	"	"	No	"	1.00	1.00	7.07
North Fork...	11	Hutchins	21	35	0	10	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	1.00	1.00	7.85
Gunison...	12	Gunison	22	27	7	9	No	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	3.75
C. W. Collins...	13	Rawlins	18	25	0	13	Yes	"	"	No	Yes	"	1.00	2.00	4.07
Veteran...	14	Denver	42	25	8	32	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	1.00	2.00	45.41
U. S. Grant...	15	Greely	24	77	8	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	13.48
Grand Junction...	16	Grand Junction	45	56	7	13	"	"	"	"	"	No	1.00	1.00	25.00
R. A. Cameron...	17	Ft. Morgan	10	26	0	13	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	1.00	1.00	4.54
Winfield Scott...	18	Aspen	52	38	0	13	"	"	"	"	"	No	1.00	2.00	9.40
Custer...	19	Laramie	20	45	7	12	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	1.00	2.00	72.25
Reno...	20	Denver	12	21	7	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	16.63
Mulligan...	21	Springfield	22	26	7	17	"	No	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	5.00
Jas. W. Anderson...	22	Cripple Creek	12	21	6	12	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	"	1.00	1.50	12.95
W. T. Sherman...	23	Evans	0	16	7	7	"	"	"	No	Yes	"	1.00	2.00	1.37
Geo. H. Thomas...	24	Ft. Collins	22	44	7	13	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	1.00	1.00	12.95
Nathaniel Lyon...	25	Boulder	22	92	7	24	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	26.20
Hattie Monahan...	26	Red Cliff	18	21	5	8	"	"	"	"	"	No	1.00	1.00	16.03
Kir Carson...	27	Lamar	17	23	8	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	10.55
McPherson...	28	Longmont	22	51	8	25	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.40	17.25
Kipparick...	29	La Junta	17	19	8	10	"	"	"	No	No	Yes	1.00	1.20	8.00
Akron...	30	Akron	9	9	6	6	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	1.00	1.00	17.00
E. M. Stanton...	31	Salida	14	31	8	15	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	3.95
Flies Peak...	32	Manitou	17	17	7	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	None
M. N. Crocker...	33	Denver	11	20	8	30	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	10.90
Phil Sheridan...	34	Buena Vista	28	23	7	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	2.00	53.66
George Washington...	35	Denver	43	20	7	11	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	9.44
Joe Hooker...	36	Monte Vista	12	38	5	20	"	"	"	No	"	"	1.00	1.00	4.30
Holyoke...	37	Holyoke	20	15	5	9	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	1.00	1.00	13.74
John C. Fremont...	38	Littleton	15	17	5	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	1
Major Anderson...	39	Harris	14	12	5	6	No	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	1

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NAME OF CORPS.	No. of Corps.	LOCATION.	Amount expended for relief from Sept. 1, 1894, to Sept. 1, 1895.												Is the work of the Secretary properly performed and are books correct?	Is the work of the Treasurer properly performed and are books correct?
			14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	1	2	3	4		
Farragut	1	Denver	\$41 29	\$90 00	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	No	Yes	Yes	Yes		
Upson	2	Pueblo	29 00	22 00	"	"	"	"	"	\$ 14 00	"	"	"	"		
Sedgwick	3	Durango	31 45	40 00	"	"	"	"	"	None	Yes	"	"	"		
Colorado Springs	4	Colorado Springs	37 93	68 10	"	"	"	"	"	15 00	No	"	"	"		
T. H. Dodd	5	Golden	None	68 00	"	"	"	"	"	None	Yes	"	"	"		
George G. Meade	6	Denver	119 30	187 30	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
E. V. Sumner	7	Silver Cliff	5 00	70 00	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	"		
Jas. A. Garfield	8	Leadville	181 05	68 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
J. F. Reynolds	9	Cheyenne	115 05	68 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Gen. Shields	10	Newcastle	22 00	None	"	"	"	"	"	6 50	"	No	"	No		
North Fork	11	Hottelikes	1 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	None	"	Yes	"	Yes		
Gunnison	12	Gunnison	24 34	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"		
C. W. Collins	13	Rawlins	187 01	86 00	No	"	"	"	"	None	Yes	"	"	"		
Veteran	14	Denver	63 00	None	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
U. S. Grant	15	Greely	113 50	65 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Grand Junction	16	Grand Junction	109 65	15 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
R. A. Cameron	17	Ft. Morgan	36 40	24 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Wingfield Scott	18	Aspen	8 80	12 15	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Custer	19	Laramie	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Reno	20	Denver	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Mulligan	21	Springfield	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Jas. W. Anderson	22	Cripple Creek	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"		
W. T. Sherman	23	Evans	20 70	37 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Geo. H. Thomas	24	Ft. Collins	251 60	100 20	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Nathaniel Lyon	25	Boulder	25 80	None	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Battle Mountain	26	Red Cliff	6 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Kit Carson	27	Lamar	95 70	9 00	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
McPherson	28	Longmont	45 05	21 50	"	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Kilpatrick	29	La Junta	3 25	35 15	No	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Akron	30	Salida	6 75	37 65	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
E. M. Stanton	31	Manitou	40 00	85 00	No	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Pike's Peak	32	Denver	29 50	8 50	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	None	"	"	"		
M. M. Crocker	33	Buena Vista	41 50	20 00	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
Phil Sheridan	34	Monte Vista	18 90	None	No	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"	"		
George Washington	35	Denver	10 00	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Joe Hooker	36	Holyoke	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Holyoke	37	Holyoke	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
John C. Fremont	38	Littleton	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		
Major Anderson	39	Harris	"	"	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	No	"	"	"		

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Report of Department Counselor.

Denver, Colorado, April 22, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary of W. R. C:

In accordance with Rules and Regulations I present the following report:

Q. 1. A member takes a transfer card October 5th, 1894, holds it until Oct. 5th, 1895 then gives it to a Corps member to recommend her admission to the Corps. It is presented to the Corps at the next meeting, Oct. 13th, 1895. Can she be admitted on that card?

Ans. She can not, as the card expired on the day she gave it to the Corps member.

Q. 2. A member out on transfer wishes to visit a Corps. The pass words have been changed since she received her card. Can she give the old pass word and visit the Corps? Is she entitled to the new pass word?

Ans. She can give the old pass word and visit Corps until the expiration of card, one year from date. Members out on transfer are not entitled to the new pass word.

Q. 3. A member's dues are paid up to Sept. 30th; on Nov. 3rd, she applied for an honorable discharge. According to Rules and Regulations the card could not be granted until the next regular meeting. At that time the question was-asked, was she indebted to the Corps for dues, or the Corps indebted to her for her badge?

Ans. As our dues are payable at the beginning of each quarter she was in arrears for her dues and the card could not be granted until they were paid. According to the obligation taken she must turn over her badge and receive the price of it.

Q. 4. As dues are payable on the first days of each quarter should the Treasurer charge up each member with her dues at the first of the quarter.

Ans. Yes, a debit and credit account should be kept with each member.

Q. 5. Is there any law to prevent Corps charging \$2 for initiation fee?

Ans. No. Rules and Regulations say the initiation fee must not be less than \$1, but do not say it shall be only \$1. Corps can adopt By-Laws making the initiation more if they choose.

Q. 6. A Corps having been organized for a number of years with Charter fee at \$2 wishes to amend its By-Laws to make the admission fee \$1.50. Can they do so?

Ans. I find nothing in our Laws to prevent their doing so.

Q. 7. What is the standing of officers installed by a Past Post Commander not having been detailed by the Department President? Would a Corps President installed as above be entitled to a seat in the Department Convention?

Ans. Officers installed by a Past Post Commander not detailed by the Department President would not be legally installed. Any business transacted by the Corps would be illegal. The Corps President would not be a voting member of the Convention.

In conclusion I desire to express my appreciation of the honor bestowed upon me by our loved President, with whom most pleasing relations have been sustained the entire year.

I have given three years of active work to the Department, and in retiring I shall not give up my interest but will do all I can for the advancement of our Order. Let us be more earnest, more devoted to the interests of those who offered their lives that their country's banner might float above us without one Star missing.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

JANETTE L. TODD,

Department Counselor.

Report of Department I. and I. Officer.

Denver, Colo., April 20th, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary:

Dear Madam: I respectfully submit my report as Department Instituting and Installing Officer, with consolidated reports from Assistant Instituting and Installing Officers, for the years 1895 and 1896.

FARRAGUT NO. 1, Denver, January 4: President, Martissa K. Hindsdale; Installing Officer, Ida DeLange. Past Corps President reports public and joint installation with Post.

UPTON NO. 2, Pueblo, January 2: President, Carrie Brisack; Installing Officer, Francis S. Klock. Installation private.

SEDGWICK NO. 3, Durango, January 16: President Lizzie H. Tiffany; Installing Officer, Mary A. West. Installation private.

COLORADO SPRINGS NO. 4, Colorado Springs, January 7: President, Irene DeToliver; Installing Officer, E. L. C. Dwinell. Past President reports joint installation with Post at special meeting.

T. H. DODD NO. 5, Golden, January 11: President, Carrie M. Carpenter; Installing Officer, Edith M. Newland. Public installation, joint with Post.

GEO. G. MEADE NO. 6, Denver, January 6. President, Stella Newman; Installing Officer, Lydia E. Dunagan. Public and joint installation with the Post.

E. V. SUMMER NO. 7, Silver Cliff, January 22: President, Addie Stewart; Installing Officer, Carrie McNeely. Installation private.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, NO. 8, Leadville, March 5: President, Jennie Paddock; Installing Officer, Susie J. Seaf. Installation private.

J. F. REYNOLDS NO. 9, Cheyenne, Wyo., January 31: President, Mary Hader; Installing Officer, Sadie M. Fisher. Installation private.

GENERAL SHIELDS NO. 10, Newcastle, January 2: President, Emma Anderson; Installing Officer, Fannie S. Medanis. Installation private.

GUNNISON NO. 12, Gunnison, January 1: Installing Officer, Jessie S. Purrier. Installation private. Report incomplete.

CASPER W. COLLINS NO. 13, Rawlins, Wyo., January 11: Presi-

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dent, Minnie E. Kingsford; Installing Officer, J. C. Friend. Installation joint with Post.

VETERAN, NO. 14, Denver, January 2. President, Emma Johnson; Installing Officer, Janette L. Todd. Joint and public with Post.

U. S. GRANT, NO. 15, Greeley, January 2: President, Esther A. Randolph; Installing Officer, Emily H. Jones. Installation private.

GRAND JUNCTION, NO. 17, Grand Junction, January 10: President, Mrs. E. A. Bartlett; Installing Officer, Ella B. Ackerman. Installation joint with Post.

R. A. CAMERON, NO. 18, Ft. Morgan, January 21: President, Matilda J. Hotchkiss; Installing Officer, W. D. Otis. Installation joint with Post.

WINFIELD SCOTT NO. 19, Aspen, January 4: President, Pauline Ashbough; Installing Officer, S. V. Shelledy. Installation public and joint with Post.

CUSTER, NO. 20, Laramie, Wyo., January 20: President, Maria Baillie; Installing Officer, Anna Bristol. Installation private.

RENO NO. 21, Denver, January 8: President, Lucy M. Capron; Installing Officer, Olive Hogle. Installation public and joint with Post.

MULLIGAN NO. 22, Springfield, January 4: President, Mary E. Robertson; Installing Officer, Mary E. Cole. Installation private.

JAS. W. ANDERSON NO. 23, Cripple Creek, January 11: President, Lorretta Mummah; Installing Officer, Alice T. Smith. Installation public and joint with Post.

W. T. SHERMAN NO. 24, Evans, January 7: President, L. A. Herriott; Installing Officer, Maggie I. McCain. Installation private.

GEO. H. THOMAS NO. 26, Ft. Collins, January 11: President, Ella Walsh; Installing Officer, Ida E. Seckner. Installation private.

NATHANIEL LYON NO. 27, Boulder, January 7: President, Virginia Feeny; Installing Officer, E. D. Adams. Installation joint with Post and Sons of Veterans.

BATTLE MOUNTAIN NO. 29, Red Cliff, President, Hattie Gay; Installing Officer, H. W. Goodrich.

KIT CARSON NO. 31, Lamar, January 9: President, Maud L. Stewart; Installing Officer, Carrie S. Cooper. Installation private.

M'PHERSON NO. 32, Longmont, January 7: President, Belle

Abbott; Installing Officer, Orphie E. Bacon. Installation public and joint with Post.

KILPATRICK NO. 34, LaJunta. No report.

Akron NO. 36, Akron, January 17: President, Ella E. Derby; Installing Officer, J. M. Aitkens. Installation joint with Post.

EDWIN M. STANTON NO. 37, Salida, January 14: President, Margret C. Delo; Installing Officer, J. Keiser. Past Post Commander reports installation with invited friends, and a social time enjoyed by all.

PIKE'S PEAK NO. 39, Manitou, January 7: President, Mary J. Savage; Installing Officer, Francis Johnston. Installation private.

M. M. CROCKER, NO. 40, Denver, January 6: President, Minna Rische; Installing Officer, Lucy M. Capron. Installation public and joint with Post.

PHIL SHERIDAN NO. 41, Buena Vista, January 3: President, Helen L. Berrian; Installing Officer, Col. Bogan.

GEORGE WASHINGTON NO. 42, Denver, January 6: President, Debra Moser; Installing Officer, Jennie McGill. Installation public and joint with Post.

JOE HOOKER NO. 43, Monte Vista, January 7: President, Effie V. B. Aldrich; Installing Officer, S. M. French. Installation joint with Post.

HOLYOKE NO. 44. No report.

JOHN C. FEMONT, NO. 45, Littleton. January 15: President, Jennie Chapman; Installing Officer, Hester W. Hartzell. Installation public and joint with Post.

MAJOR ANDERSON NO. 46, Harris, January 11: President, El-nora Brown; Installing Officer, J. H. Williams.

PHIL KEARNEY NO. 47. No report.

There have been four Corps organized in the Department during the past year, that have been reported to me:

JAMES W. ANDERSON CORPS NO. 23, Cripple Creek, was instituted July 2nd, with 20 charter members. Alice M. Seeds, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Ella L. C. Dwinell.

PFEIFFER CORPS NO. 25, Alamosa, was instituted April 1st, 1896, with 14 charter members. Elizabeth A. Wilbur, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Lucy M. Campbell.

WADSWORTH CORPS NO. 16, Rocky Ford, was instituted March

18, 1896, with 16 charter members. Flora M. Hall, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Anna B. Holliday, Department President.

STEADMAN CORPS NO. 28, Telluride, was instituted April 15th, 1896, with 21 charter members. Delle S. Kelsay, President; Instituting and Installing Officer, Delle S. Kelsay.

In conclusion, I desire to extend my heartfelt thanks to Department President, Mrs. Holliday, for assistance and encouragement rendered at all times, and to Department Secretary, Mrs. Fitch, for courtesies from her.

Respectfully submitted, in F. C. and L.,
MARY U. CALVERT,
Department I and I. Officer.

Report of Executive Board.

Mrs. President and Members of Department Council, W. R. C:

Ladies: As chairman of the Executive Board I wish to submit the following report for the Twelfth Annual Convention:

When elected chairman of the Executive Board I went home with but one regret, to-wit, that I was not able to take the beautiful banner to Department Headquarters.

My duties have been very light and through the kindness of my associate officers have been very pleasant.

I have attended two Council meetings, one in Denver and one in Laramie, although six meetings have been held during the year. Mrs. Emily O'Brien having resigned from the Executive Board and Auditing Committee, the Council elected Mrs. Ann Eliza Woodard to fill the vacancy and has found her both efficient and faithful to the duties of the office.

We have curtailed the expenses of the Department whenever and wherever it was possible to do so without impairing the efficiency of the work.

The Headquarters of the Department were established in the G. A. R. and W. R. C. Hall in our city, the use of said hall being kindly donated by Custer Post and Corps.

Considering the distance of most of the Corps from Headquarters, and the fact that passes were out of the question, I can safely say

that in no year have the expenses of the Department been so light as for that now just past.

When called upon I have counseled with the Department President, concerning matters affecting the Department, and now wish to extend my heartfelt thanks to her for many courtesies and kindnesses received and shall look back with feelings of regret that the year has passed all too soon.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
MARY E. INGERSOLL,
Chairman of Executive Board.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Mrs. President and Members of Department Council, W. R. C:

Ladies: We, the Committee appointed by the Executive Board to audit the books of Department Secretary and Treasurer, have examined them very carefully and find them correct and very nicely kept, and wish to call your attention to the beautiful Balance Sheets which are made out for, and show, the financial condition of the Department for each quarter separately.

We regret very much not having the new Ledger in time for our year's work as it will be a great help to the Department Treasurer and Auditing Committee.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
MARY E. INGERSOLL,
ADDA ULEN,
ANN ELIZA WOODARD,
Auditing Committee.

Report of Committee on Department Relief.

Denver, Colo., April 22, 1896.

Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, President; Officers and Members of the W. R. C., Department of Colorado and Wyoming:

I respectfully submit my report of relief work, in an itemized account, as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Received of Mrs. Fairchilds, balance in her hands as Chairman of Relief for 1895.....	\$ 70
Received of Miss S. M. Fisher, Treasurer.....	60 00
Total	<u>\$60 70</u>

EXPENSE ACCOUNT.

Sept. 21. Meal Tickets.....	\$ 1 00
Sept. 25. Relief Cash.....	2 00
Sept. 27. Relief Cash.....	2 75
Sept. 29. Relief Cash.....	5 00
Oct. 1. Relief Cash.....	5 00
Oct. 3. Relief Cash and Groceries.....	3 00
Oct. 17. Relief Cash and Groceries.....	4 50
Nov. 10. Relief Cash.....	5 00
Nov. 15. Relief Cash.....	1 00
Nov. 20. Relief Cash.....	1 50
Dec. 21. Relief Cash and Clothing.....	10 00
Jan. 12. Relief Cash.....	1 70
Feb. 6. Relief Cash.....	2 00
Feb. 15. Relief Cash.....	1 50
Mch. 6. Relief Cash and Groceries.....	5 00
Mch. 17. Relief Cash for Rent.....	3 00
April 7. Groceries.....	2 60
April 22. Car fare to date.....	2 10
Total Expenses.....	<u>\$58 65</u>
Cash on hand.....	2 05
	<u>\$60 70</u>

Yours in F., C. and L.,
LUCY B. McMAHON,
Chairman.

RELIEF OTHER THAN MONEY,

Including Donations from Relief Corps of Denver.

Cash Donated.....	\$ 9 00
Groceries Donated, value.....	5 00
Clothing Donated, value.....	10 00

 Total.....\$24 00

Paid Homeopathic Hospital, account treatment of a

Comrade,s wife.....	\$ 9 00
Used Groceries in Relief Work.....	5 00
Used Clothing Donated for Relief.....	10 00

 Total. \$24 00

Number of Visits Made.....	45
Number of Families Assisted.....	30
Number of Persons Assisted.....	75

Yours in F., C. and L.,

LUCY B. McMAHON,

Chairman.

Report of Delegate-at-Large.

Greeley, Colo., April 23rd, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, W. R. C:

Madam: In compliance with the Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you and the Twelfth Annual Convention, the following report of the entertainment and proceedings of the Thirteenth National Convention, held at Louisville, Ky., Sept. 12th, 1895.

Eight months have passed since the Thirteenth National Convention convened in Louisville, Ky. The record of that assembly has passed into history. The open sessions were reported in the leading papers at the time, and the work proper which pertained particularly to Departments and Corps, has since been promulgated in National and Department Orders, hence to rehearse the doings of that august body at this late day would indeed be "an old, old story," but as custom has decreed I will relate briefly those things which I think will most interest you.

As I had gone east in August I was not one of that merry party that boarded the official train at Denver, Sept. 7th, so can tell you nothing of the jokes and pranks or the wit and wisdom of our worthy superiors, or of the interesting incidents which happened on the way.

I reached the Mecca of all patriotic excursionists at noon Sept. 10th and went directly to the Fifth Avenue Hotel, which was Department Headquarters for Colorado and Wyoming. I had prepared myself for an enthusiastic greeting, "but the half had not been told." No such welcome had ever been extended to the G. A. R. and W. R. C.

This was the first encampment held south of Mason and Dixon's line, and not only Louisville, but Kentucky, and the whole South united in giving one grand ovation to the "boys in blue." The Governor of Kentucky, in his proclamation said: "We throw wide open our gates and with the warmest pulsations of our hearts bid you earliest and honest welcome to old Kentucky."

It was the eloquent Hon. Henry Watterson, Editor-in-Chief of the Courier-Journal, who the preceding year at Pittsburg, Pa., invited the Grand Army of the Republic to meet in Grand Encampment in his city, and when 60,000 of the old veterans accepted the invitation he welcomed them with these beautiful and expressive words: "It is therefore, with a kind of exultation that I fling open the gates of this gateway to the South! I bid you welcome in the name of the people whose voice is the voice of God. You came and we resisted you; you come and we greet you; for times change and men change with them;—blessed, thrice blessed we who have lived to see fulfilled the Psalmist's prophecy of peace:

Peace in the quiet dales,
Made rankly fertile by the blood of men;
Peace in the woodland and the lonely glen,
Peace in the peopled vales.
Peace in the crowded town:
Peace in a thousand fields of waving grain;
Peace in the highway and the flowery lane,
Peace o'er the wind swept down.
Peace on the whirring marts,
Peace where the scholar thinks, the hunter roams,
Peace, God of peace, peace, peace in all our homes,
And all our hearts.'"

The decorations surpassed all previous attempts and were on a magnificent scale. It seemed as if all the citizens had entered into a generous rivalry to see which could outdo in the spread of bunting

and the displays of the finest decorations. The largest flag in the world, 66 feet long by 40 feet wide, spanned the space between the Court House and the City Hall. The decoration which attracted the most attention was on Market Street. A large painting in the shape of a shield, was placed midway on a building; in the center were two men with clasped hands, one dressed in blue and the other in gray, around which were arranged electric lights in red, white and blue, while above the whole floated the stars and stripes.

The banners which floated across the streets breathed the same spirit of union and good-will. One bore the inscription, "Union and Liberty, now and forever, one and inseparable," and another the words of the "Great Emancipator," "Charity for all—malice toward none." With such greetings and such demonstrations the guests could well respond, "All hail to Louisville and the grand old commonwealth of Kentucky."

On Tuesday afternoon the citizens' committee tendered the delegates of the W. R. C. a drive about the beautiful city. Tuesday evening the National Officers of the W. R. C. gave a reception in honor of Commander-in Chief Lawler. This, by many, was considered the leading social event of the week. The gray vied with the blue in paying their respects to the receiving party.

Wednesday was the day of the great parade,—the day to many the most interesting of all. Our worthy Department President had secured most advantageous seats on the grand stand and for five hours we watched the little remnant of the mighty host of the days of '61 to '65 as they marched by. At the head of the parade rode two ex-Confederates, one bearing the stars and stripes, the other a pure white silk banner on the top of which perched a white dove bearing in its beak a green olive branch. This emblem of peace was greeted with long and loud cheers.

The day was intensely hot, yet 30,000 veterans fell into line and "tramped, tramped, tramped" just as if they were boys still "marching through Georgia." The mist came to many eyes as their thoughts involuntarily turned to the comrades of these men who touched shoulders to them, back in the sixties,

"Who went, and who returned not."

The most interesting sight, next to the veterans, were the old battle flags, some were mere tatters and some with scarcely more than the flag staff remaining. There were many amusing incidents too. "Old Ned," the famous veteran war horse who has taken part in many parades, passed by in a float, bearing a placard, "I am 40 years old."

Almost every state had something peculiarly its own. New York had a Drum Corps composed of half a dozen old men from 77 to 89 years. Each division had its various drum corps and bands, Colorado and Wyoming being led by the famous Leadville Drum Corps. All airs were played from "The Star Spangled Banner" to "Marching Through Georgia," "Dixie," "My Old Kentucky Home," the latter the favorite.

The actuality of the reunion of the North and South was brought out in every conceivable manner. A soldier marched in the parade dressed in gray and around him was wrapped the American flag.

The souvenir badges were made by the blending of Federal and Confederate cannon.

Wednesday evening three large camp fires were held where thousands were highly entertained.

Promptly at 10 o'clock Thursday morning the Thirteenth National Convention convened. Library Hall was beautifully decorated with flags and palms and potted plants. This session, by vote, was an open one, and all who desired were admitted to hear the eloquent address of the National President. At the close of the address Mrs. Tyler, wife of the Mayor of Louisville, was presented to the Convention and in beautiful and fitting words welcomed it to the City of Louisville and to the homes and hearts of its people and then presented to the National President a large picture of George and Martha Washington. As she was escorted from the hall the Convention arose and sang "My Old Kentucky Home."

The Convention then adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

The Ladies Citizens' Committee had provided lunch to which all delegates were invited. This was another manifestation of the hospitality of the South.

During this intermission a restraining order was served on the National Officers at the instance of Mrs. Ada F. Clark of Ohio, restraining them from holding a session unless she was admitted to the Convention. The case was set for 10 o'clock Friday morning. At 1:30 the Convention was called to order and an open session was again held. Mrs. Clark, accompanied by her son, entered the hall and demanded her credentials. As these are given out by their own Departments the National Officers have no voice in the matter. She took her seat with the Ohio delegation much against the wishes of most of the Ohio delegates. The sympathy of the Convention was with Ohio. The case is one of long standing and very complicated. Notwithstanding all were uneasy at the delay of business, yet the afternoon was enlivened by so many bright speeches and recitations that the time passed quickly by. Major Hendershot and son visited the hall

and gave their famous selections on fife and drum. Mrs. Kate B. Sherwood recited a poem which she had written for the Ladies Citizens' reception, entitled "Thirty Years Ago," which was enthusiastically applauded. During this open session Mrs. Wallace was presented by her aids with a beautiful diamond ring, also an oil painting of "The Trailing Arbutus" by Mrs. Burleigh, and several other presents followed in quick succession, "making pleasant moments in the hours of waiting." About 4 o'clock Mrs. Clark arose and said as this was an open meeting she had a right to be heard.

A motion to adjourn was heard from all portions of the room and being duly seconded the Convention adjourned amid the violent protests of Mrs. Clark.

At 9:30 Friday morning the Convention assembled and an open session was again held.

About 1 o'clock, Mrs. Wallace and the National Officers, accompanied by Judge Advocate Gen. Ellis of the Grand Army of the Republic, entered the hall, and Gen. Ellis announced to the Convention that the injunction had been lifted and we could proceed with business. With one accord the members broke forth into "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," and with bedewed eyes congratulated each other that the strain was over.

Friday afternoon the first regular business session was held. The annoyance caused by this interruption and the intense heat was very trying to all, and as many of the delegates were obliged to leave that evening it was decided that the election of officers should be taken up first. Mrs. Elizabeth A. Turner was the unanimous choice of the Convention for National President. It is not necessary to give the list of officers. Colorado was remembered in the appointing of our Past Department President, Mary L. Carr, as Inspector.

During the counting of the ballots the reports of committees on officers reports were read and acted upon. Some were quickly endorsed, while others produced much discussion, particularly the recommendation that District Conventions be held in all Departments. The East, thickly settled, favored it, while the West, with its Corps separated by a hundred miles and more, disapproved. It was satisfactorily settled by leaving it to the discretion of the various Departments.

Saturday morning when the session opened, many seats were vacant, but all day long the valiant few labored faithfully and well.

Business was suspended many times to receive distinguished visitors, among whom were Henry Watterson, Past Commanders-in-Chief Weissert, Beath, Adams, Lawler, Commander-in-Chief Walker

and Gen. Clarkson. Past Commander-in-Chief Adams thanked the Convention for placing at the head of the ranks "the greatest Roman of all," L. A. Turner. He said, "She has been urged to accept this office before, but she has heretofore had no appetite for office. We have so fed her ambition that she at last consented to accept the position so unanimously accorded her."

Gen. Clarkson spoke words of encouragement and said every true veteran resented the insult that had been put upon 140,000 of the best women in the land and that the Grand Army of the Republic was standing firm and true, morally and financially, at the back of their only auxiliary, the Woman's Relief Corps.

The shades of night had crept into and over the hall before the work of the Convention was finished, the last act in the drama being the installation of officers.

The work of a Convention is very tiresome and when coupled with a tropical heat and such a vexatious element as confronted this one, it is doubly so. The Thirteenth National Convention was fortunate in having a leader who was not alone endowed with great executive ability and who brought to a successful finish the most exciting Convention ever held, but who also, by her sweetness of character and patience drew all hearts to her.

Congratulations were extended to new officers, farewells were softly spoken and each delegate "went her way" strengthened for renewed activity in the cause so dear to every true American woman.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

EMILY HALL JONES,

Delegate-at-Large.

Report of Committee on Soldiers' Home.

Denver, Colo., April 21, 1896.

Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, W. R. C:

The committee appointed by the Department President to expend the money, donated by the Corps, for the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista, submit the following:

The committee at Monte Vista advised the committee in Denver what was most needed that the small amount of funds would purchase. On March 18, 1896, we sent four pairs of felt slippers for the nurses in the hospital. April 10th, sent supplies to the hospital.

CASH RECEIVED.

Dec. 27, 1895.....	\$ 1 50
Jan. 6, 1896.....	5 00
Jan. 14, 1896.....	2 00
Feb. 22, 1896.....	10 00
Mar. 26, 1896.....	2 25
Total	<u>\$20 75</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Mar. 18, 1896.....	\$ 3 60
April 10, 1896.....	11 65
Total	<u>\$15 25</u>
Balance	5 50
	<u>\$20 75</u>

The following was received from Col. French:

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME,

State of Colorado,

Office of Commander, Monte Vista, Colo., April 14, 1896.

Mrs. Todd.

Dear Madam:—Yours of 12th at hand. The slippers came all right and were at once put to use by the night nurses.

The box that came yesterday was satisfactory, the doctor says, and was what was needed.

I will be in Denver at Encampment and thank you in person for your generous gift.

Your in F. C. and L.,
S. M. FRENCH.

We would earnestly recommend that a committee be appointed, by the incoming President, to carry on the work commenced by this administration.

Yours in F. C. and L.,
JANETTE L. TODD.
LUCY M. CAMPBELL.
E. V. ALDRICH,
E. N. NELSON,
LEORA MacAREY.

Committee.

Committees.

President's Address:—

Mary L. Carr.....Longmont
 Climenia G. Howard.....Greeley
 L. A. Herriott.....Evans

Senior Vice President's Report:—

Ida L. De Lange.....Denver
 Ann Eliza Woodard.....Laramie
 Mary A. Condit.....Denver

Junior Vice President's Report:—

Fannie M. Hardin.....Denver
 Lucy M. Capron.....Denver
 Mary E. Smith.....Longmont

Secretary's Report:—

Clemontine S. Hawes.....Greeley
 Louisa Deacon.....Rawlins
 Kate O'Brien.....Boulder

Chaplain's Report:—

Lucy J. Dresser.....Greeley
 Belle Abbott.....Longmont
 Jennie Paddock.....Leadville

Treasurer's Report:—

Jennie McGill.....Denver
 Parthenia McBeth.....Denver
 Mary J. Broughton.....Manitou

Counselor's Report:—

Laura S. Dodge.....Boulder
 Olive M. Bacon.....Aspen
 Martissa K. Hinsdale.....Denver

Inspector's Report:—

Virginia M. Feeny.....Boulder
 Marion Sutton.....Colorado Springs
 Carrie Brisack.....Pueblo

Inspecting and Installing Officer's Report:—

Olive C. Butler.....Denver
Margaret Delo.....Salida
Ella Walsh.....Fort Collins

Report of Delegate-at-Large:—

Leno E. Eno.....Denver
Minna Rischie.....Denver
Alice M. Seeds.....Cripple Creek

Report of Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Committee:—

Clara T. Pierce.....Redd Cliff
Bertha Meyers.....Cheyenne
Helen L. Berrian.....Buena Vista

Committee on Resolutions:—

Mary L. Carr.....Longmont
Laura S. Dodge.....Boulder
Janette L. Todd.....Denver
Climena G. Howard.....Greeley

Committee on Greetings to Grand Army:—

Mary Jewett Telford.....Grand Junction
Fannie D. Hardin.....Denver
Lucy M. Campbell.....Denver
Jennie G. Harper.....Greeley
Mary E. Ingersoll.....Laramie
Olive M. Hogle.....Denver

Committee on Courtesies:—

Sarah E. Calvert.....Denver
Carrie E. Carpenter.....Golden

Committee on Press and Telegrams:—

Josephine A. Cheeseman.....Greeley
Ella L. C. Dwinell.....Colorado Springs
Lizzie C. Smith.....Salida

The address of the President was referred to a committee, the President resumed the Chair and announced a recess of five minutes, at the close of which time, the Convention having again been called to order, visitors not members of the Woman's Relief Corps were requested to retire.

The following appointments were announced by the President:

Guards—Susie M. McGwire and Georgia Bunn.

Assistant Guards—Clara Rapp and Mrs. Jordan.

Conductors—Minnie L. Benson and Eunice P. Congdon, with Mary U. Calvert and Maria Baillie to assist in taking the password in order to expedite business.

Convention was then declared open for the transaction of business, and the password having been taken, all present were reported to be members of the Order.

At request of the President, the Conductors escorted the National Inspector, Mary L. Carr, and Assistant National Inspector, Laura S. Dodge, to the platform. Also Past Department Presidents Climena G. Howard and Jannette L. Todd. Convention called by President to stand and salute. (Salute.)

• The Committee on Credentials, appointed previous to Convention, reported fourteen Department officers and one hundred and twenty-five delegates present and entitled to seats in the Convention.

The President stated that as the Senior Vice President was feeling unwell, her report would be deferred.

Report of Junior Vice President read and referred to committee.

Report of Secretary read and referred to committee.

Report of Chaplain read and referred to committee.

Mrs. Carr spoke feelingly in memory of Rosella Good-

rich, deceased, of Battle Mountain Corps, No. 29, Red Cliff, whose name had not been reported to the Department Chaplain. The President requested the Convention to stand a moment in memory of Mrs. Goodrich.

On motion Convention adjourned until 1:30 p. m.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Convention was called to order at 1:30 o'clock. First in order was the seating of delegates according to the number of their Corps.

Mrs. L. K. Daniels, Department Chaplain, led in repeating the Lord's Prayer.

After taking of password, the Secretary called the roll of Convention.

Report of Treasurer read and referred to committee.

Report of Senior Vice President read and referred to committee.

Report of Counselor read and referred to committee.

Report of Inspector read and referred to committee.

Report of I. and I. officer read and referred to committee.

Mrs. Emily H. Jones, Delegate-at-Large to the National Convention at Louisville, Ky., gave a very interesting report, which, in turn, was referred to committee.

Mrs. Janette L. Todd, chairman of the W. R. C. committee on S. and S. Home, made her report. Report referred to committee.

Moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, that a vote of thanks be extended to Comrade Todd for his loyal support of the W. R. C. (Carried.)

The President expressed to Convention the regrets sent by the National President at being unable to be present and meet the loyal women of Colorado and Wyoming thus assembled.

In addition to the committees upon the various reports, the following committees, appointed by the Department President, were read by the Secretary:

Committee on Resolutions.

Committee on Greetings to Grand Army.

Committee on Courtesies.

Committee on Press and Telegrams.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Cheeseman, that election of officers be made the order of business for 2 o'clock Thursday. (Carried.)

Moved and carried to adjourn until 9 a. m. Thursday.

MORNING SESSION—THURSDAY.

Convention called to order by President at 9 o'clock.

Mrs. Ida Critchell and Miss Edna Hamilton were appointed Conductors.

In the absence of the Department Chaplain, Mrs. Beeny, of Meade Corps, was called to the platform to lead in the Lord's Prayer, which was followed by singing of the Opening Ode, Mrs. Feeny presiding at the organ.

The President, saying she was glad to announce that there were present this morning, Past Department President, Mary Jewett Telford, and Louise B. Sherman, of Colorado Springs, chairman of the First Department Convention, requested Conductors to escort them to platform.

In response to the gavel, Convention rose and saluted.

The Department officers were presented to the Convention by the President, and the Convention, in response to the gavel, gave the salute.

Roll of Convention was called.

Committee from Ladies' Aid to Sons of Veterans was announced.

This committee, consisting of Misses Hogbin, Middleton and Wynkoop, was presented to Convention by President.

With pleasing words and manner, their spokesman invited the Convention to visit them at 11 o'clock, during their open session.

The Department President responded:

Ladies:—We are pleased to meet you and give you a cordial greeting, but as we have a great deal of business on hand, fear we cannot, as a Convention, accept your invitation. However, we will send a representation.

The visitors having been escorted from the room, the following reports were read by the chairmen of the committees:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT'S
REPORT.

Mrs. President and Members of the Twelfth Annual Convention, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C:

We, the undersigned Committee on Report of Department Senior Vice President, wish to submit the following:

We have examined the report, endorse the same and recommend it to the Convention for adoption.

We heartily approve the sentiment herein set forth and commend the spirit shown in the work done for the advancement of our Order during the past year.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

IDA DE LANGE,
ANN E. WOODARD,
MARY A. CONDIT,

Committee.

Moved, seconded and carried that report be accepted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT'S RE-
PORT.

Mrs. President:—We, the Committee on Junior Vice President's report, have examined the same and find that the duties of the office

have been performed in a very conscientious manner, and we do hereby endorse the same.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
FANNIE D. HARDIN,
LUCY M. CAPRON,
MARY E. SMITH,

Committee.

Report adopted by motion regularly made and carried.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Mrs. President and Ladies of the Convention:—Your Committee appointed to examine the report of our Department Secretary, find it to be, in our belief, absolutely correct.

Its statements are businesslike, clear and easily comprehended. In these respects it is a model. The report recommends that the Installing Officer should be furnished with a list of Corps Officers, the names written in full and properly spelled. The recommendation is valuable. We urge its adoption.

The report calls attention to the imperfections in the reports of Corps Officers, due seemingly to want of care. In our opinion special efforts should be made to secure more perfect reports in the future.

In conclusion we desire to express again the opinion that the report is admirable. A flowery eulogy of it could not enhance its value and would only consume valuable time.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

C. S. HAWES,
KATE O'BRIEN,
LOUISA DEACON,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Telford, to take up the recommendations of the Secretary and consider them separately. (Carried.)

First recommendation read and discussed. Moved and seconded it be adopted with the amendment that wherever possible the names be typewritten. (Carried.)

Second recommendation read and adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Seeds, to adopt report as a whole. (Carried.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON TREASURER'S REPORT.

To the President and Members of the Twelfth Department Convention:

We would respectfully submit the following on Department Treasurer's report for last year:

We find the work has been neatly and well done, find the totals correct, and as the Treasurer's books have been audited and the report of the committee accepted, we feel there is nothing that we can say that will be more praiseworthy for the work of the Treasurer. We heartily approve the recommendations and urge their adoption.

JENNIE MCGILL,

MARY J. BROUGHTON,

PARTHENIA MACBETH,

Committee.

Mrs. Dodge moved, Mrs. Rischie seconding, to consider recommendations separately. (Carried.)

Recommendation No. 1 read and adopted by vote of Convention.

Recommendation No. 2 read and regularly adopted.

Recommendation No. 3, by motion, laid upon the table.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Harper, that the Treasurer be requested to explain what is covered by the term, "miscellaneous expenditures," used in her report.

Treasurer gave desired information.

Moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Dwinell, that the miscellaneous expenditures be itemized and engrafted upon report for publication in Journal of Convention. (Carried.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CHAPLAIN'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—Your Committee on Chaplain's report would respectfully submit the following:

We find the report concise and thorough and would heartily endorse the two suggestions.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

LUCY J. DRESSER,

BELL ABBOTT,

JENNIE PADDOCK,

Committee.

Mrs. De Lange moved, seconded by Mrs. Mumma, to adopt report. (Carried.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON I. AND I. OFFICER'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—Your Committee, to whom was referred the report of the I. and I. Officer, has carefully examined the same and found its statements clear and satisfactory in every particular. We recommend its adoption by this Convention.

OLIVE C. BUTLER,
MARGRET C. DELO,
ELLA WALSH,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Platte, to adopt report. (Carried.)

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON INSPECTOR'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—Your Committee appointed to examine the report of the Department Inspector, has carefully considered the same and respectfully submits the following:

We find the work of the Department Inspector to have been faithfully, conscientiously and judiciously performed, and we heartily approve her recommendation.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,
VIRGINIA M. FEENY,
MARION SUTTON,
CARRIE BRISACK,

Committee.

In acceptance of the invitation extended, a committee was sent to visit the Ladies' Aid of S. of V.

Committee: Ida De Lange, Charlotte Coe and Alice M. Seeds.

A committee from the Grand Army being announced, recess was declared and Mrs. Feeny, and Mrs. Dodge sent to escort the comrades in.

Comrades Essington, Todd and Bohn were then introduced by the President, and requested to address the Convention.

Comrade Essington's remarks:

We are glad to meet the members of the W. R. C. Looking into the faces of those before me, I can hardly find words to express my thoughts. We are present in a building where prayers go up to a higher tribunal than that of the world. I believe there is rejoicing in heaven over the ministrations of the Woman's Relief Corps, as well as over the work of the churches.

Your noble organization is well worthy the approval of all religious associations as well as of the G. A. R.

You are first to extend the helping hand to comrades in distress. Upon your shoulders rests the advancement of Posts. As Chief Mustering Officer for two terms, I noticed that those Posts which had Auxiliary Corps, were progressive. Those without, were retrogressive.

Comrade Todd spoke as follows:

Comrade Essington said he would occupy but three minutes of your valuable time. He really took thirty-five. As for myself, nine minutes will suffice. As I look over the Convention, I see a number of faces I do not recognize, but I seem to know all of you. My sympathies are with you; have been for a long time. You are organized for the noblest work ever contemplated.

But I need not enlarge upon this point. You know my opinion of the Woman's Relief Corps. If at any time, there is anything I can do for you, call on me. The Department Commander wishes me to extend his heartfelt thanks for your assistance and to say the boys will be glad of suggestions from the Corps. The Grand Army is now in session and will be happy to receive a committee from the Woman's Relief Corps.

Comrade Bohn said:

Ladies of the Relief Corps:—It is embarrassing for me to speak after listening to Comrades Essington and Todd, who have so beautifully expressed themselves. When I see the smiling faces of the ladies of the W. R. C., especially those of this Department, I can say:

"Maid of Colorado and Wyoming, ere we part,
Give, Oh give me back my heart"

and I will go.

The President thanked the comrades for their kind words, they were decorated with the badges of the Conven-

tion and flowers and escorted from the room during the singing of "My Country, 'Tis of Thee."

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by many, that Reno Corps, No. 21, exemplify the ritual for the benefit of the Convention. (Carried.)

Mrs. Capron, President of Reno Corps, on behalf of the Corps, wished to be excused on account of pressure of other business that must come before the Convention. Desire of Convention that the ritual be exemplified at 1 o'clock was expressed by rising vote and on motion of Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. De Toliver, Convention adjourned.

AFTERNOON SESSION—THURSDAY.

Convention called to order at 1:15.

Password taken by Conductors.

The Ritual was then well exemplified by Reno Corps No. 21, Denver, after which a short recess was taken.

The doors having been opened, upon calling to order, the password was again taken.

A committee from the ladies of the G. A. R. was introduced to the Convention, Mesdames Kutchell, Smith and Bonnel. They brought greetings from the Ladies of the G. A. R. in Third Department Convention assembled, to the Woman's Relief Corps, realizing that both orders are working in the same good cause, and invited Convention to attend an organ recital at Trinity Church at 6 p. m.

The President thanked the ladies for the invitation and expressed the wish that many members of the Convention might be able to accept the kind invitation extended.

After the withdrawal of this committee, Past Department President, Mary Jewett Telford, advanced to the platform and presented the Department President, Anna B. Holaday, with a jewelled badge of the Order, made of Colorado

and Wyoming gold, in the following well-chosen words:

My Dear Mrs. President:— As a preliminary, I wish to say, that when I was Department President some years ago, I had the pleasure of organizing a Corps 'way up in wind-blown Wyoming, at Laramie—the first one in that state, then a territory. You are all so familiar with the work of Custer Corps, that I need not rehearse it to you.

I assure you, I take the greatest pleasure in presenting this golden-jewelled badge of our loved Order, to a member of that Corps. That it will ever be worn with honor, we know full well.

With trembling lips, Mrs. Holliday accepted the beautiful testimonial in the following words:

When the heart is full, often the lips are dumb. I am glad to feel I have so many warm friends in this Department. I thank you from the bottom of my heart and again I thank you.

Moved by Mrs. Ingersoll, seconded by Mrs. McGill, that the Treasurer now read her itemized account of miscellaneous expenditures.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, this matter be laid on the table. (Carried.)

After some explanations it was moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Seeds, that it be taken from the table. (Carried.)

The original question was then put and carried, and Miss Fisher proceeded to read as directed.

At close of reading, Mrs. Dodge, Assistant National Inspector, reported in defense of Miss Fisher, that she had examined Treasurer's books and found them correct.

Moved by Mrs. Telford, seconded by Mrs. Hogle, that report of Committee on Treasurer's report be adopted. (Carried.)

Moved by Mrs. Fair, seconded by Mrs. Walsh, that a vote of thanks be extended to Miss Fisher for explaining items so fully and patiently. (Carried with enthusiasm.)

Guard announced that Comrade Schuey, a delegate from the Grand Army, was in waiting. Mrs. Critchell was sent to conduct him to the platform. He announced that the

Grand Army was now in session at Lincoln Hall, No. 1415 Larimer Street, having changed its place of meeting.

The Comrade having been escorted from the room, it was moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Howard that Convention proceed to election of officers. (Carried.)

Tellers appointed:

Ida De Lange, A. E. Woodard, Alice M. Seeds.

Roll-call showed 143 members of the Convention present.

NOMINATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Mrs. Todd nominated Mrs. Holliday, seconded by several. Mrs. Holliday declined.

Mrs. Hogle was nominated, but immediately withdrew her name.

Mrs. Dodge nominated Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Rischie, on behalf of the entire delegation of M. M. Crocker Corps.

Mrs. Sutton nominated Ella L. C. Dwinell, seconded by Mrs. Telford and Mrs. Cappell, also by Mrs. De Toliver on behalf of the entire delegation from Colorado Springs.

Nominations closed, and candidates escorted to platform.

Ballot collected, the Tellers retired, accompanied by a friend of each candidate.

Senior Vice President was called to the Chair, while Committee upon President's address made its report, through Mrs. Carr, chairman.

Members of the Twelfth Department Convention;

Your Committee has carefully considered the work of the year as outlined in the President's address. Her loyal devotion to the cause and her fidelity in the performance of duties entrusted to her are heartily commended.

The prosperous condition of the Department indicates a wise oversight of the work in all its details.

The harmony existing between the two sister states as exhibited in the work of the Order and the increase in membership, are evidences of the progress made during an able and conscientious administration.

Recommendation No. 1. Approved.

Recommendation No. 2. First clause approved. Second clause not approved. The Committee suggests that the matter be left optional with the Corps.

Respectfully submitted in F., G. and L.,
MARY L. CARR.
CLIMENA G. HOWARD.
L. A. HERRIOTT.

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Babbitt, seconded by Mrs. Fical, to adopt the report.

Amended to take up recommendations in order. Amendment prevailed.

Recommendation No. 1 read and adopted.

Recommendation No. 2 read. Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Hardin, to adopt committee's report on same, viz: Adopt first clause, not adopt second.

After much discussion, the motion was carried. President again took the Chair.

Tellers returned and reported whole number of votes cast 133; necessary to choice 67. Mrs. Dwinell received 71, Mrs. Campbell 62.

Mrs. Dwinell was declared elected Department President.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that report upon President's address be referred back to committee. (Carried.)

NOMINATIONS FOR SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Mrs. Patterson nominated Lucy M. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Billow. Mrs. Campbell declined.

Mrs. Babbitt nominated Fannie D. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. McBeth.

Mrs. Telfer nominated Olive M. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Paddock.

Mrs. Todd nominated Carrie M. Carpenter, seconded by Mrs. Tripp.

Nominations closed, ballot collected and Tellers retired.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON COUNSELOR'S REPORT.

Mrs. President:—Your Committee on Counselor's Report has carefully considered the opinions submitted to them and heartily concur in the decisions given.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

LAURA S. DODGE,

OLIVE M. BACON,

MARTISSA K. HINSDALE,

Committee.

Report of committee adopted by motion regularly made and carried.

The committee on Press and Telegrams reported having wired the following messages.

Denver, Colo., April 22, 1896.

Augusta B. Henderson, Past President Department Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C., Omaha Neb:—

Department Convention sends fraternal greetings and regrets your absence. Accept our sympathy in your recent bereavement.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAM,

E. L. C. DWINELL,

LIZZIE C. SMITH,

Committee.

Denver, Colo., April 22, 1896.

Lizabeth A. Turner, National President, W. R. C., Boston, Mass:—

The Department Convention at the birth-place of the Woman's Relief Corps, sends greetings.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAM,

E. L. C. DWINELL,

LIZZIE C. SMITH,

Committee.

Denver, Colo., April 22, 1896.

Laratia Conger, Dallas, Texas:—

The Woman's Relief Corps of the Centennial State greet their Lone Star Sisters.

JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
E. L. C. DWINELL,
LIZZIE C. SMITH,
Committee.

Denver, Colo., April 23, 1896.

Mrs. Katharine C. Kennedy, Past Department President Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C:—

We regret your absence, and send love and fraternal greetings. Distance and duty separate us in body, but in spirit we are one.

In F., C. and L.,
JOSEPHINE A. CHEESEMAN,
E. L. C. DWINELL,
LIZZIE C. SMITH,
Committee.

Report of committee adopted by Convention.

Tellers entering, reported total number of votes cast 93; necessary to choice 47. Mrs. Hardin received 57, Mrs. Bacon 25, Mrs. Carpenter 11.

Mrs. Hardin, having received the majority of votes cast, was declared elected.

Mrs. Hardin thanked the Convention for the honor conferred and was followed by the President-elect, in a short speech.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by many, that Convention adjourn to meet Friday morning at 9 a. m. sharp.

MORNING SESSION, FRIDAY, APRIL 24.

Convention was called to order at 9 o'clock by the President.

Roll call. Minutes of previous day read, corrected as to error in name of a member and approved.

The Committee on resolutions reported as follows:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RESOLUTIONS.

The following are submitted for the consideration of this Convention:

Nos. 1 and 2 to be referred to Grand Army Encampment.

Nos. 3, 4 and 5 to be forwarded to the National Convention. (Committee on Resolutions.)

Nos. 6, 7 and 8 to be approved or disapproved by this Convention.

No. 1. Resolved that the resolution presented and adopted at the Ninth Department Convention at Pueblo, regarding the action of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. Societies in the matter of securing an appropriation for cottages and dormitories for Soldiers' wives, widows, and mothers, be called up at this time and a Committee appointed from both organizations to bring the matter before the next legislature.

No. 3. That the action of the Thirteenth National Convention restoring all past honors to members re-instated after being dropped for non-payment of dues, be rescinded.

No. 4. That the words "may by a vote of the Corps" be stricken out, and "shall" inserted in Section 2, Article IV, Chapter 2 of Rules and Regulations.

No. 5. That a member holding an unexpired transfer card be admitted to all meetings of the Order on presentation of said card.

No. 6. That the National Journals be distributed to those entitled to them as soon as received at Department Headquarters.

No. 7. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee. As the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, that all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

No. 8. That this Convention endorse the name of a member of this Order for the first vacancy on the Soldiers' Home Commission.

Upon motion, the resolutions were read and acted upon separately.

First resolution adopted.

Second resolution laid on the table.

Mrs. Carr moved, Mrs. Hardin seconded, to send at once a committee to greet the G. A. R. before their election of officers. (Carried.)

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Dwinell, that since it is leap year, the usual order of things be reversed and the W. R. C. extend an invitation to the Grand Army for a joint installation. (Carried.)

Committee appointed: Mrs. Telford, Mrs. Hogle, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Hardin.

Moved and seconded that the Department President be one of the Committee to visit the Grand Army. (Carried.)

The Senior Vice President having been called to the Chair, the Committee retired.

Moved by Mrs. Sutton, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, to proceed with election of officers. (Carried.)

Roll call showed 130 members of the Convention present.

Tellers of yesterday were requested to again act.

NOMINATIONS FOR JUNIOR VICE PRESIDENT.

Mrs. C. S. Hawes was nominated by Mrs. Smith of Salida, seconded by Mrs. Howard.

Mrs. E. V. B. Aldrich was nominated by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Butler.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

Mrs. Feeny completed the report of Committee upon Inspector's report.

Report adopted by motion.

Tellers returned and announced that 112 votes were cast; necessary to a choice 57. Mrs. Aldrich received 88, Mrs. Hawes 24. Mrs. Aldrich was declared elected Junior Vice President.

Moved by Mrs. Hawes, seconded by Mrs. Coe, to make the election of Mrs. Aldrich unanimous. (Carried, by rising vote.)

NOMINATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT TREASURER.

Miss Sadie M. Fisher was nominated by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by many. Miss Fisher declined.

Mrs. Lucy M. Capron was nominated by Mrs. Hunt, seconded by many.

Mrs. Clara Rapp was nominated by Mrs. Arnold, seconded by many.

Candidates were called to platform.

Tellers retired after collecting ballots.

Mrs. McMahon, Chairman of Department Relief Committee, read the report of Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, to adopt the report. (Carried.)

Mrs. Dunagan, Chairman of Banner Committee, made report as follows.

Department President, Ladies of the Convention:—After having in my possession for almost a year, the Department Banner, it is the pleasure of your Committee to report the Banner is in its case at the G. A. R. room in the State Capitol Building. The cost of the case was \$32.

LYDA E. DUNAGAN.

PERSIS A. ARNOLD.

Committee.

Mrs. Carr moved, seconded by Mrs. Stephenson, to adopt report and thank the members of the Committee for their services. (Carried.)

Mrs. Dodge moved, seconded by several, that whenever practicable, the Banner be in Convention room, at annual sessions. (Carried.)

Tellers entering, reported number of votes cast 112; necessary to a choice 57.

Mrs. Capron received 49, Mrs. Rapp 63.

Mrs. Rapp declared elected Treasurer.

The Committee sent, bearing greetings to the Grand Army, having returned. Mrs. Telford and Mrs. Holliday reported. Committee was received with favor, happy speeches were made and the invitation to joint installation of officers, was accepted.

President resumed the Chair. -

NOMINATIONS FOR DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN.

Olive M. Bacon, of Aspen, was nominated by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Benson.

Hester W. Hartsell was nominated by Mrs. Coe, seconded by several. Mrs. Hartsell declined.

Mary West was nominated by Mrs. Hunt, seconded by Mrs. Brisack.

Tellers retired, after collecting ballots.

Senior Vice President called to preside and the report upon President's Address was again taken up.

Recommendation No. 3 read. Action not necessary, since a similar recommendation of Treasurer, had already been adopted by Convention.

Recommendation No. 4 read and adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Dodge, seconded by Mrs. Todd, the report of Committee be adopted as a whole. (Carried.)

President resumes Station.

Tellers made report. Number votes cast 121; necessary to a choice 61. Mrs. Bacon received 106, Mrs. West 15.

President declared Mrs. Bacon elected Chaplain.

NOMINATIONS FOR MEMBERS OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Mrs. Calvert nominated Mrs. De Toliver who declined and instead, placed in nomination Marion Hall as Chairman of the Board. Mrs. Fical nominated Emma Ormsby for second Member.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Hogle, that the Secretary be instructed to cast ballots for Marion Hall as

Chairman and Emma Ormsby as second Member of the Executive Board. (Carried.) Ballots cast and Mrs. Hall and Mrs. Ormsby declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR THIRD MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Ruth DePue,, Anna E. Babbitt and Louisa Deacon were nominated.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

Moved by Mrs. Adams, seconded by Mrs. Hogle to send a Committee with greetings to the Ladies of the G. A. R. (Carried.)

Committee appointed:

Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Hogle and Mrs. Emma Johnson. Committee retired.

Tellers returned and reported 119 votes cast; necessary to a choice 60.

Mrs. DePue received 104, Mrs. Deacon 10, Mrs. Babbitt 5.

Mrs. DePue declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR FOURTH MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Katie L. Sahrbeck, Lou Faust, Sarah Williams and Eile Tripp were nominated.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

Committee sent to the Ladies of the G. A. R. having returned, the Chairman, Mrs. Adams, reported; a pleasant reception was given the ladies from the Convention. Gracious words were spoken, the W. R. C. was wished God-speed and the hope was expressed that sometime the two Orders might become united.

Tellers came in and reported number of votes cast 115; necessary to a choice 58. Mrs. Sahrbeck received 76, Mrs. Tripp 10, Mrs. Faust 17 and Mrs. Willilams 12.

Mrs. Sahrbeck was declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR FIFTH MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Louisa Deacon, Eile Tripp and Clemontine S. Hawes were nominated.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

The Committee on Resolutions continued the report.
Resolution No. 3 was read and approved.

Tellers reported number of votes cast 101; necessary to choice 52. No election.

By motion, adjourned until 1:30 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION, FRIDAY, APRIL 24.

Convention called to order by the President at 1:30.

Password taken by Conductors.

Mrs. Dodge acting as Chaplain, led in repeating the Lord's prayer.

All joined in singing "America."

On motion, a Committee was sent to ascertain if the Church could be used by Convention in the evening for Installation service.

Mrs. Hardin, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Butler sent as such Committee.

Chairman of Committee on Resolutions continued her report.

Resolution No. 4 read and approved.

Resolution No. 5 read and approved.

Resolution No. 6 read and adopted.

Resolution No. 7 read and adopted.

Resolution No. 8 read and adopted.

Resolutions as a whole adopted by vote of Convention.

Mrs. Hardin from Committee, reported that Church would not be occupied in the evening.

The enthusiasm of the Convention was roused upon Mrs. Hardin's reporting that Dr. Dodge of Boulder, had been elected Department Commander.

Roll call showed 112 voting members of the Order present.

NOMINATIONS FOR FIFTH MEMBER OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Eile Tripp, Clemontine S. Hawes and Louisa Deacon were nominated.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

The Committee upon Courtesies read the following report:

Mrs. President:—We, your Committee on Courtesies, would recommend that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Fanning for the assistance he rendered Department Officers in arranging for this Convention. Also the trustees of this church for the use of the building and to those who assisted in decorating the same.

SARAH E. CALVERT.

CARRIE M. CARPENTER.

Committee.

Report of Committee adopted by motion duly made and carried.

Moved and carried, that Mrs. Carr keep the book of Charter records.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Howard, that 500 copies of Journal of the Convention be printed and that the out-going Department President be allowed to make any changes in same that will improve without altering the meaning. (Carried.)

Tellers returned and reported number of votes cast 98; necessary to a choice 50. Mrs. Tripp received 52. Mrs. Hawes 15, Mrs. Deacon 31.

Mrs. Tripp was declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

Louisa Deacon and Ida Critchell were nominated.

Ballot collected and tellers retired.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON REPORT OF DELEGATE-AT-LARGE.

Mrs. President:—Your Committee on report of Delegate-at-Large, takes pleasure in complimenting the author of this beautifully written and interesting account of the proceedings of the Thirteenth National Convention, and on the explicit manner in which she related the principal events of that memorable occasion. We most heartily recommend that the thanks of this Convention be tendered to our Delegate-at-Large for her earnest and successful efforts in giving us this admirable report.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LENA ENO.

MINNA RISCHE.

ALICE M. SEEDS.

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Newman, seconded by Mrs. Mumma to adopt said report. (Carried.)

Journal of Department Council Meetings read by Secretary.

Minutes of May 2nd, 1895. approved.

Minutes of September 7th, 1895, corrected by inserting names of Delegates to National Convention, who had died or resigned; then approved.

Minutes of December 20th, 1895 approved.

Minutes of January 22nd, 1896 approved.

Minutes of March 9th, 1896 approved.

Minutes of April 21st, 1896 approved.

Tellers returned and reported number of votes cast 101; necessary to a choice 51. Mrs. Deacon received 55. Mrs. Critchell 46.

Mrs. Deacon was declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR FIRST DELEGATE.

Sarah E. Waldo, Ida Critchell, C. S. Hawes and Lydia C. Young were nominated.

Ballot collected and Tellers withdrew.

Mrs. Dodge moved that the in-coming administration send two copies of General Orders to each Corps, one for the

President and one for the Secretary.

Seconded by Mrs. Carpenter and carried.

Mrs. Carr introduced the following resolution:

Resolved, That the outgoing Department President appoint a committee to prepare a testimonial for the incoming Department President, to be presented at the close of her official year; and that the same be paid for from the General Fund of the Department.

Moved by Mrs. Hogle, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, to adopt resolution. Amended by Mrs. De Lange, seconded by Mrs. Hogle, to limit amount expended for testimonial, to a maximum sum of \$50.

Motion as amended, carried.

Report of tellers. Number of votes cast 101; necessary to a choice 51.

Mrs. Critchell received 57, Mrs. Young 39, Mrs. Waldo 4, Mrs. Hawes 1.

Mrs. Critchell was declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR SECOND DELEGATE.

Jessie S. Purrier, Lydia C. Young and C. S. Hawes were nominated.

Ballot collected and Tellers retired.

Mrs. Dodge, Mrs. Carr and Mrs. Todd were requested by President to inform the Grand Army that the W. R. C. is ready for installation.

President appointed the in-coming Senior and Junior Vice Presidents a Committee to prepare testimonial for incoming Department President.

Moved by Mrs. Fair, that the Chair appoint a Committee to prepare instructions to Corps Secretaries and Treasurers upon correct and uniform methods to be used in keeping their books. (Carried.)

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO PREPARE INSTRUCTIONS TO
CORPS SECRETARIES.

Mrs. Cheeseman, Mrs. Daniels and Mrs. Capron.

COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO PREPARE INSTRUCTIONS FOR
CORPS TREASURERS.

Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Harper, Mrs. De Lange.

Tellers returned and reported total number of votes cast 102; necessary to choice 52. Mrs. Young received 72, Mrs. Purrier 29. Mrs. Hawes 1.

Mrs. Young was declared elected.

NOMINATIONS FOR ALTERNATE-AT-LARGE.

Jessie Sharp Purrier was nominated.

Moved by Mrs. Cheeseman, seconded by Mrs. Coe, that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Purrier. (Carried.)

The Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Purrier was declared elected Alternate-at-Large.

NOMINATIONS FOR FIRST ALTERNATE.

Anna K. Denny was nominated.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, seconded by Mrs. Hogle, that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Denny. (Carried.)

The Secretary having cast the ballot, Mrs. Denny was declared elected First Alternate.

NOMINATIONS FOR SECOND ALTERNATE.

Clemontine S. Hawes was nominated.

Moved by Mrs. Dwinell, seconded by Mrs. Fitch, that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Hawes. (Carried.)

Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Hawes was declared elected Second Alternate.

Guard announced that a Committee from the Sons of Veterans was in waiting.

Mrs. Jones, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Capron were sent to escort them to the platform.

They were cordially welcomed by the President and invited to speak to the ladies of the Convention.

Col. Kennedy said:

We come from the Eleventh Encampment of the Sons of Veterans.

Our Order is, to a great extent, dependent upon the good will and assistance of the Woman's Relief Corps. We thank you for aid given in the past and bespeak it for the future.

Col. Patton spoke as follows:

Ladies of the Relief Corps, we are pleased to bring greetings from the Sons of Veterans.

The business of our present Encampment is completed.

We are going to Louisville and try to get the next National Encampment to meet in Denver.

In our Department the coming year, we are going to do everything we can to build up our Order—to regain what we have lost in the past and increase our membership and influence in every way possible. It is our intention to visit every Camp in this Department during the year.

We hope to be able next year to thank the ladies for much help received from them.

"To thine own self be true.

And it must follow as the night the day,

Thou canst not then be false to any man."

Col. Kendig said:

I am happy to greet you and proud to say to you that I have had the honor of starting the first Camp of Sons of Veterans in several states of the Union.

As the other members of the Committee have told you, we intend to do aggressive work the coming year. If you find anywhere a Son of a Veteran who is not a member of our Order, let us know and we'll "run him in."

The President and different members of the Convention expressed the profound interest felt by the Relief Corps in

the Sons of Veterans, and the desire to aid the Order in every way possible.

The Sons were urged to visit and try and awaken greater interest in Salida, Laramie, Leadville, Greeley and many other places.

Committee was escorted from the room while Convention sang: "Blest be the tie that binds."

Moved by Mrs. Telford, seconded by several, that the Committee appointed to prepare instructions to Corps Secretaries and Treasurers upon methods of keeping their books, report to the incoming Department Secretary and Treasurer. (Carried.)

Mrs. Fair asked for a report from the Committee on Patriotic Teaching.

Jas. A. Garfield, Custer, Geo. Washington, Geo G. Meade, Winfield Scott and E. M. Stanton Corps, reported having sent reports to the Chairman of said Committee, who failed to make a report.

Impromptu reports of work along this line were given by representatives from various Corps.

Mrs. Dodge informed Convention that the Grand Army will be ready at 5 o'clock for joint installation.

Moved and carried to install in Convention room, as soon as Comrades arrive.

Secretary read Journal of the day which was duly approved by Convention.

Guard announced Comrades Essington, Simmons and Sherman—a Committee from the Grand Army—to be in waiting.

Mrs. Dodge and Mrs. Fitch were sent to escort the Comrades in, who announced the Grand Army to be ready for installation.

At the request of the President, the room was prepared for the Installation Services and the Grand Army was ushered in and seated.

When the Installation of the Grand Army was concluded, Past Department President, Mary Jewett Telford, assisted by Ida Critchell as Conductor, proceeded to install the following newly-elected officers.

President—Ella L. C. Dwinell.

Senior Vice President—Fannie D. Hardin.

Junior Vice President—Effie V. B. Aldrich.

Treasurer—Clara Rapp.

Chaplain—Olive M. Bacon.

The Department President then announced the following appointments:

Secretary—Marion Sutton.

Inspector—Alice M. Seeds.

I. and I. Officer—Sara E. Waldo.

Counselor—Anna B. Holliday.

These appointed officers were duly installed; also the members of the Executive Board, as follows:

Marion Hall, Chairman; Emma Ormsby, Ruth DePue, Eile Tripp.

The Department President thanked the members of the Convention, for the honor bestowed upon her, pledged her best efforts to advance the interests of the Woman's Relief Corps, and in closing, called upon Dr. Dodge, Commander of the Grand Army for remarks.

Coming upon the platform, Dr. Dodge said he was not a speechmaker, but before he sat down, all present were convinced that a clear-headed leader had been secured for the Grand Army hosts the coming year.

Comrade David Herron of Colorado Springs was also called upon.

He secured the good will of all, by remarking in the beginning, that if all knew Mrs. Dwinell as well as he did, all would love her as did he. At the close of his remarks, on behalf of Colorado Springs G. A. R., he invited the Relief Corps to meet another year in Annual Convention, at Colorado Springs, where the Grand Army had decided to hold the next Encampment.

Comrade Herron then presented Major O'Brien, retiring Department Commander, a golden, jewelled badge, on behalf of the Comrades of the Department.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Smith that the Relief Corps thank the Post at Colorado Springs for the invitation to meet in that city. (Carried.)

A Council meeting was called to meet immediately after the close of the Convention.

There being no further business, the Department President declared the Twelfth Annual Convention closed.

LIDA EATON FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Minutes of Council Meetings.

Denver, Colo., May 2, 1895.

First session of the newly elected Department Council was called to order in the parlor of the Albany Hotel, by the President, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, with the following members present.—

Mrs. Holliday, Mrs. Todd, Mrs. Ingersoll, Mrs. Fair, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. Ulen, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Daniels, Mrs. Calvert, Mrs. O'Brien, Mrs. Hartzell, and Miss Fisher.

Mrs. Todd nominated Mrs. Ingersoll for Chairman of Auditing Committee. Nomination seconded by Mrs. O'Brien. (Carried.)

Mrs. O'Brien was then nominated by Miss Fisher as member of said committee. Mrs. Hartsell seconded the motion, which prevailed.

Mrs. Fair nominated Mrs. Ulen on same committee. Seconded by Mrs. Campbell and carried.

Minutes of closing session of the Eleventh Annual Convention read.

Moved by Miss Fisher, seconded by Mrs. Fair that said minutes be approved as read. (Carried.)

Adjourned by motion to meet at call of President.

ADDA ULEN,
Secretary pro. tem.

Room 11, 1625, Champa Street.
Denver, Colo., Sept. 7, 1895

Department Council met with eight members present. Department President, Mrs. Holliday, in the Chair. The Secretary being absent Mrs. Stephenson of Fort Collins was appointed Secretary pro. tem.

The President stated the object of the meeting as being to elect Delegates and Alternates to the National Convention to fill vacancies.

On motion of Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Myers of Gunnison was elected Second Delegate in place Mrs. Babbitt, resigned.

On motion of Ms. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, Mrs. Hardesty of Leadville was elected First Alternate, Mrs. Searl having resigned.

It was moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that Mrs. Daniels of Denver be elected Second Alternate in place of Mrs. Gavitt, deceased.

The motion prevailed.

These minutes being read before this meeting, were approved.

There being no further business Council adjourned subject to the call of the President.

SARA B. C. STEPHENSON,
Secretary pro. tem.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Grand Army of the Republic,
Room 11, 1625 Champa Street,
Denver, Colo., Dec. 20, 1895,

The third meeting of the Council was called to order by the Department President, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, for the transaction of business relative to provisions for Home Board of the Soldiers' Home.

There were present:

Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, Department President.

Mrs. Janette L. Todd, Department Counselor.

Mrs. Campbell, Department Inspector.

Mrs. H. W. Hartzell, J. V. P.

Mrs. Mary Calvert, Department I. and I. Officer.

Mrs. Johnson, Member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Hartsell was appointed Secretary pro. tem.

The Department President suggested it might be best to have a Committee appointed from the women of the Relief Corps to take charge of and have the handling of the money that is raised by their efforts.

It was moved by Mrs. Calvert, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that the Department Council advise the Department President to appoint a Committee of W. R. C. women to re-

ceive the money for the Soldiers' Home, and spend it as they deem advisable.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that all useless matter connected with the Department, on hand, such as outlawed rituals, old reports, obsolete service books, etc., be destroyed, and that the President appoint a Committee to burn the same. (Carried.)

It was moved by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Calvert, that 10 per cent of the Per Capita Tax received by the Department Treasurer, be placed in the Relief fund of the Department. (Carried.)

The following was brought before the Council to be acted upon:

The Relief Committee of a W. R. C. spent \$5 for the benefit of a family not connected with either Post or Corps, and wishes to be reimbursed for the same from the Department Relief fund. Motion made with reference to same by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that we do not reimburse Corps, as it is customary for other Corps to do relief work outside of their Post and Corps, and it would establish such a precedent, as would be detrimental to the work of the Order. (Carried.)

It was moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Calvert, that as soon as the Department Banner be placed in the Capitol Building in the case, the same be insured. (Carried.)

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, the Council adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

H. W. HARTZELL,

Secretary pro. tem.

Laramie, Wyo., Jan. 22, 1896.

Council meeting called to order at 10 a. m., by the Department President, Mrs. Anna B. Holliday.

There were present:—

Mrs. Holliday, President,

Miss Fisher, Treasurer.

Miss Fitch, Secretary.

Mrs. Ingersoll and Mrs. Ulen, Members of the Executive Board.

The resignation from the Executive Board of Mrs. Emily O'Brien, was read by the Secretary.

Moved by Mrs. Ingersoll, seconded by Mrs. Ulen, that said resignation be accepted. (Carried.)

Mrs. Ann E. Woodard was nominated by Mrs. Ingersoll to fill the vacancy.

Moved by Department Treasurer, seconded by Mrs. Ulen, that the Secretary be instructed to cast the ballot for Mrs. Woodard. (Carried unanimously.)

The ballot having been cast, Mrs. Woodard was declared elected and installed into office.

Moved by Department Treasurer, seconded by Mrs. Ulen, that Mrs. Woodard be elected to fill the place on the Auditing Committee, left vacant by the resignation of Mrs. O'Brien. (Carried.)

These minutes having been read and approved, the Council adjourned, on motion of the Department Treasurer, seconded by Mrs. Ulen.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

LIDA E. FITCH,

Department Secretary.

Denver, Colo., March 9, 1896.

The Department Council met in Denver, March 9th, 1896, with the following members present:

Mrs. Anna B. Holliday, President.

Hester W. Hartsell, Junior Vice President.

Lucy M. Campbell, Inspector.

Mary U. Calvert, I. and I. Officer.

Janette L. Todd, Counselor.

Emma Johnson, Member of the Executive Board.

The object of the meeting was to arrange for Convention.

A Committee having been successful in securing the First Baptist Church, it was decided to hold the Convention in the same.

A motion was made by Mrs. Campbell, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, that we do not have any special entertainment for the delegates, which motion was carried.

Mrs. Holliday stated that the trunk, in which Department papers are kept by the Treasurer, was entirely worn out and could not be used to send the supplies to the next Treasurer.

A motion was made by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that the Treasurer be instructed to procure a box in which to ship the supplies to the incoming Treasurer. (Carried.)

The minutes of the meeting were read, and there being no corrections, were approved on motion of Mrs. Campbell.

On motion of Mrs. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Hartsell, the meeting adjourned.

MARY U. CALVERT,

Secretary pro. tem.

Denver, Colo., April 21, 1896.

Council meeting called to order by the Department President, at 8 o'clock, in the Albany Hotel, with full Council present, except Mrs. Stephenson.

A letter to the Department President, was read, from Carrie M. Carpenter, President, T. H. Dodd Corps, No. 5, relative to property in Golden, alleged to have been deeded to said Corps, by Capt. E. L. Berthaud, and now taken from them, as claimed by the Corps, in a fraudulent manner.

The Corps wishing to have the facts as stated, laid before the Department Convention, the Department President had promised instead, to place it before the Council.

Moved by the Chaplain, seconded by the I. and I. Officer, that the matter be laid on the table. (Carried.)

Reports of Executive Board and Auditing Committee, were read by their Chairman, Mary E. Ingersoll.

Moved by the Junior Vice President, seconded by the Chaplain, that the reports be adopted. (Carried.)

These minutes were read by the Secretary.

Moved by the Inspector, seconded by Mrs. Ulen, that they be adopted. (Carried.)

At request of the President the Chaplain offered a short prayer.

Moved by the Treasurer, seconded by the I. and I. Officer, that the Council adjourn sine die.

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Unofficial Proceedings.

Upon entering the Albany Hotel, during the sessions of the Encampment and Convention, the eye was immediately caught by the decorations. Bunting was used generously and admiration of the effect was expressed upon all sides.

Two successive Encampments in Denver have amply proven, both how pleasant and how advantageous it is, to have one of the Comrades for "mine host... All honor to Comrade Fanning.

A better place for holding the Convention could not have been found, than the one provided, viz: the Baptist Church across the street from Headquarters.

Its convenience, spaciousness, comfort and coolness were all appreciated by the members; the latter especially appealing to visitors from mountain towns, who had in their homes scarcely realized the near approach of summer.

During the passing of the Grand Army parade, a recess was declared and the members of the Convention crowded to the church doors and adjacent pavement and watched the long line of Veterans, with full hearts and tearful eyes. Handkerchiefs were kept waving until the last of the "boys" disappeared.

Wednesday evening a camp fire was held at East Turner Hall.

Comrade P. A. Simmons, of Denver, gave an address of welcome which was responded to by Department Commander N. J. O'Brien, in his usual happy style.

Mrs. H. W. Hartsell, Department Junior Vice President of the W. R. C., welcomed the members of that Order in a few well chosen words, to which Department President,

Anna B. Holliday, responded giving a beautiful tribute to the work of the W. R. C. She said: "The mission of our Order is an unending one. When the last 'boy in blue' shall have been laid to rest with the flag and the wreath of honor over his grave, think you our work will be done? No! It will be our duty then, as now, to teach the coming generation what our flag is, what it means and what it cost."

Then followed in quick succession, welcomes to the Ladies of the G. A. R., Sons of Veterans, and other patriotic societies, which were responded to in the true fraternal spirit of the Orders.

The remarks of Gov. A. W. McIntire and Major T. S. McMurray, were brief but replete with words of welcome and cheer.

Then followed three minute talks by Comrades, in which they told of things they liked and some they did not like and some things they remembered.

The remarks were highly entertaining and delighted the vast audience that literally packed the floor and galleries.

The entire program was interspersed with excellent music by a double quartette and Schubert's Quartette. As the latter led the entire audience in the chorus of "Tramp, Tramp Tramp," a stranger to America's war songs might well have realized the depth of the sentiment stirring the hearts of the singers; but 'twas the quartette's rendition of "Tenting Tonight" that brought tears to the eyes of many in the audience.

Upon Thursday evening a reception was tendered the visitors at East Turner Hall.

Good music, excellent recitations and witty speeches went to make up a very successful program.

Light refreshments were served to the large crowd of happy, good-natured and patriotic guests that were in attendance.

All were made welcome by the Sons of Veterans at their Camp Fire upon Friday evening and tired as were the Grand Army men and W. R. C. women, a goodly number of them showed by their presence the interest felt by them in the younger Order.

Decisions of Twelfth Department Convention.

1. That a Committee be appointed to prepare instructions to Corps Secretaries and Treasurers concerning the methods of keeping the Corps books and that the Inspector and her assistants study the same and require Corps to follow instructions.

2. That the Corps of this Department bend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with Corps, whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30th, or upon some other day.

3. That the incoming Department President appoint a Committee to provide badges for the representatives to National Convention.

4. That Installing Officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps Officers—type written if possible—the names given in full and properly spelled.

5. That yet again Corps Officers be urged to exercise greater care with the reports, thus saving to Department Officers much labor.

6. That ten per cent of Per Capita Tax received each quarter, be transferred to the Relief Fund.

7. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their addresses on Quarterly Reports.

8. That every Corps President be reminded that it is part of her work to see that reports are sent to Department Chaplain immediately after Memorial Day, thereby giving that officer sufficient time to condense the reports for the National Convention.

9. That General Orders, containing the address of the Department Chaplain, be sent to Corps Chaplains.

10. That a Committee be appointed to act together with a like Committee from the Grand Army, in the matter of securing an appropriation for cottages and dormitories for the wives, widows and mothers of Soldiers'.

11. That this Convention endorse the name of a member of this Order for the first vacancy on the Soldiers' Home Commisison.
12. That two copies of General Orders be sent each Corps, one for the President and one for the Secretary.
13. That the outgoing Department President appoint a Committee to prepare a testimonial for the Department President, at the close of her official year, the same to be paid for from the General Fund at a maximum cost of not to exceed \$50.
14. That the National Journals be distributed to those entitled to them, as soon as received at Department Headquarters.
15. That the Department Banner be taken to the Convention room at Annual Meetings.
16. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee. As the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

Report of Department President to Department Commander, G. A. R

Laramie, Wyo., April 20, 1896.

General N. J. O'Brien, Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic:

Dear Sir:—It becomes my pleasant duty to transmit to you, and through you to the Eighteenth Department Encampment, a report of the relief dispensed by the Corps of this Department during the past year.

Cash expended by Corps for Relief.....	\$1615 16
Cash expended by Department for Relief.....	60 00

Total cash expended for relief.....	\$1675 16
Value of Relief other than money.....	1587 80

Total Relief.....	\$3262 96
Cash contributed to Soldiers' Homes (reported above).....	\$140 25
Value of supplies sent by Corps to Soldiers' Homes (reported above).....	261 25

Total donations for Soldiers' Homes (reported above).....	\$401 50
Contributions for Memorial Day in the South.....	20 00

Grand Total	\$3282 96
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There are now, in this Department, forty-two Corps with a membership of 1,426.

Balance in General Funds of Corps, \$1,424.40.

Balance in Relief Funds of Corps, \$787.48.

To you and the Comrades throughout the Department, I wish to express my thanks for the many courtesies received and for the appreciation shown for our work.

It is but proper that the Woman's Relief Corps should feel a just pride in being your only recognized Auxiliary. It was at your request and by your assistance that we were organized and we realize that we are banded together to help you.

As in the past we have endeavored to serve you, so in the future we stand ready to do our duty toward the Union Veterans and their dependent ones, the Grand Army of the Republic, our country and its flag.

Long may Old Glory float over this great and glorious nation of which you are the defenders, and may you be spared many years, to touch elbows in the ranks of the grandest army ever known—the Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in F., C. and L.,

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President, W. R. C.

General Orders.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., May 7, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 1.

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, I hereby assume command of the same, fully realizing the responsibility of the office and returning grateful acknowledgment for the confidence reposed in me.

To all members of our Order throughout this Department I send—Greeting—and trust that the work of the ensuing year will be carried on in a spirit of Charity, Fraternity and Loyalty.

1. Department Headquarters are hereby established at G. A. R. and W. R. C. Hall, Laramie, Wyoming.

2. Lida E. Fitch has been appointed Secretary and duly installed.

3. Sadie M. Fisher, 1920 Warren Avenue, Cheyenne, Wyoming, having been duly elected Treasurer, all orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

4. The attention of Corps Chaplains is called to the necessity of forwarding the Memorial Day reports, immediately after Memorial Day, to Libbie K. Daniels, Department Chaplain, Denver, Colorado.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyoming, May 7, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 2.

Memorial Day with its sacred duties is close at hand. Thirty years ago this spring the glad cry went up from all over the North: "Lee has surrendered! Richmond is taken! The war is over!"

Wearied and worn, sick, hungry and ragged, the survivors of the war for the Union were looking forward to meeting their mothers, sweethearts, wives and little ones. Then their hearts beat for and their thoughts were of the women of the land. Today the loyal women of the Woman's Relief Corps are banded together to think of them; to work for the living and to perpetuate the memory of our dead heroes. Each year their ranks are thinned and the "low green tents" in our cemeteries bear silent witness to the number of those who have answered the last roll call, for whom the taps have been sounded and whose lights are out. The few who remain are growing feeble, and it is the duty of the Woman's Relief Corps to take upon themselves the burden of preparing for Memorial Day.

In our Department, nature does not give us the jasmine and magnolia, but our mountains and hills are bright with the pine, and the low places teem with the wild blossoms of spring. Then let us twine the evergreen wreaths and strew beautiful flowers on the graves of

our soldier dead, not forgetting those whose graves have no mark or simply bear the sad word, "Unknown." Place the choicest blossoms around the flag they died to save, thus erecting an altar to their memory.

Each Corps is requested to prepare a special offering in memory of the hero for whom its Post is named.

Let the Memorial Day services be made impressive to the citizens and especially instructive for the young in our respective communities.

Corps are urged to protest against everything having a tendency to desecrate the sacredness of the day and are requested to work with a spirit of loyalty to preserve the respect which we, as a nation, owe to those who offered their lives for our country.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., May 29, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 3.

The Eleventh Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, was held in Denver, Colo., April 30th, May 1st, and 2nd. The spirit of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty, which prevailed all its sessions, will cause it to be pleasantly remembered by those in attendance.

Elaborate preparations, made by the local members of our Order and the citizens of Denver, were carried out with unequalled success. The officers and members of Veteran Corps cannot be too highly complimented on their exemplification of the ritual.

The Convention was honored by the presence of our National President, Emma R. Wallace, a woman who went to the front with her husband, during the dark days of the war, and whose eldest son was born under the guns of Natchez. Mrs. Wallace was accompanied by her aged mother, whose beautiful face will long be remembered by those fortunate enough to meet her.

The following officers were elected:

- President—Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Wyo.
- S. V. President—Camilla S. Fair, Leadville, Colo.
- J. V. President—Hester W. Hartsell, Denver, Colo.
- Treasurer—Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyo.
- Chaplain—Libbie K. Daniels, Denver, Colo.
- Executive Board—Mary E. Ingersoll, Laramie, Wyo.
 - Emily O'Brien, Cheyenne, Wyo.
 - Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo.
 - Sarah Stephenson, Ft. Collins, Colo.
 - Emma Johnson, Denver, Colo.
- Delegate-at-Large—Emily A. Jones, Denver, Colo.
- First Delegate—Margaret Delo, Salida, Colo.
- Second Delegate—Anna Babbitt, Denver, Colo.
- Alternate-at-Large—Fannie Whipp, Gunnison, Colo.
- First Alternate—Susie Searl, Leadville, Colo.
- Second Alternate—Anna M. Gavitt, Colorado Springs, Colo.

The following appointments are announced:

- Secretary—Lida E. Fitch, Laramie, Wyo.
- Inspector—Lucy M. Campbell, Denver, Colo.
- Counselor—Janette L. Todd, Denver, Colo.
- Instituting and Installing Officer—Mary U. Calvert, Denver, Colo.

These officers, in the discharge of their duties, will be respected and obeyed.

DECISIONS OF THE ELEVENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION, DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

1st. That hereafter, in making out election returns, Past Corps Presidents transferred, be reported by the Corps in which they hold their membership as transferred from the Corps to which they formally belonged and their names be dropped from the roll of the Corps from which they were transferred.

2nd. That a committee be appointed, from each Corps, to confer with the local school boards, regarding the introduction of the "Patriotic Salute," in schools not using the same.

3rd. That a committee be appointed and instructed to procure a glass case for the Department Banner. Said Banner to be placed in the G. A. R. room in the Capitol building, Denver, Colo.

4th. That Corps, sending for supplies, shall not include postage in the footings, as the requisitions and books must agree, and postage

not being supplies, can not be entered on the books of Department Treasurer.

5th. That Resolution No. 3, as adopted by the Tenth Annual Convention, be amended to read: "That it is undesirable for Corps to have any entertainments, on Memorial Day, which will desecrate the sacredness of the day."

6th. That the date of inspection be changed to the months of October, November and December.

The Roll of Honor will be continued. All correct reports received at these Headquarters on or before the fifth day of the month following the close of the quarter, will entitle Corps sending them to equal rank on the Roll of Honor. Corps Presidents will see that their quarterly reports are made out and forwarded to these headquarters, immediately after the last meeting in each quarter, to comply with a decision of the Eighth Department Convention.

Corps Chaplains will forward their Memorial Day reports, through Corps Presidents, immediately after Memorial Day, to Libbie K. Daniels, Athens P. O., Denver, Colo.

The attention of Corps Treasurers is called to the following decision of the Ninth Department Convention: "That no supplies be sent Corps unless ordered on regular requisition blanks, the amount due to accompany the order."

All money orders, checks or drafts, for per capita tax, must be made payable to Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyo., and sent, with quarterly reports, to Lida E. Fitch, 306 Fourth street, Laramie, Wyo.

A new Department password is sent with these orders.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,

Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., July 15, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 4.

I. Corps desiring to take a vacation, during the months of August and September, may do so by conforming with Rules and Regulations, Chap. II, Art. V, Sec. 1.

II. The Thirteenth National Convention of the W. R. C., will be held at Louisville, Ky., about September 10, 1895. Delegates and Alternates to Convention will please report, not later than August 1st, to Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, 306 Fourth street, Laramie, Wyo., stating their intentions in regard to attending Convention.

III. The attention of Corps Presidents is called to the following decisions of Department Conventions:

Corps quarterly reports are to be filled out on the day of last meeting of quarter, the same to be enclosed in one envelope and forwarded, without delay, to Department Secretary. (Decision of 8th Department Convention.)

Corps Treasurers shall forward all orders for supplies on the first and fifteenth of the month and send postage to prepay the same. (Decision of 7th Department Convention.)

These decisions are "orders from proper authority," and Corps Presidents are reminded that it is their duty to enforce a strict observance of the same.

IV. As a number of Corps have sent money for the W. R. C. Home for the second quarter of this year, attention is called to decision 47 of the Twelfth National Convention, which is as follows:

"That an amount equal to four cents per member be paid into the Department Treasurer's hands, in the usual way, during the first quarter of the Corps year, viz.: January, February and March, to be sent with the quarterly tax to National Treasurer for the National Woman's Relief Corps Home Board."

V. Money orders, checks or drafts, for per capita tax, must be made payable to Sadie M. Fisher, and sent, with quarterly reports, to Lida E. Fitch, 306 Fourth street, Laramie, Wyo.

VI. It is the duty of the Corps President to carefully examine the quarterly reports and approve the same, affixing her signature thereto.

VII. The Department Relief Committee is as follows: Chairman, Lucy M. McMahon, Corps No. 21, 2242 Penn. Avenue, Denver, Colo.; Mary Jewett Telford, Corps No. 17; Martha A. Dill, Corps No. 3; Bessie W. French, Corps No. 2; Effie M. McNutt, Corps No. 43.

VIII. The following are appointed Aides on the Staff of Department President:

Chief Aide, Eliza Wright.....	Corps No. 31.
Marian Sutton.....	Corps No. 4.
Sarah Russell.....	Corps No. 5.
Julia Doyle.....	Corps No. 7.
Eva Trimble.....	Corps No. 10.

Almeda Kellogg.....	Corps No. 42.
Minnie E. Kingsford.....	Corps No. 13.
Clara F. Pierce.....	Corps No. 29
Emily Beckwith.....	Corps No. 32.
Glenn Langley.....	Corps No. 36.
Kate O'Brien.....	Corps No. 27.
L. A. Harriot.....	Corps No. 24.

It is the duty of Aides to make themselves efficient in the work of the Order and to assist in building up and strengthening the same.

IX. In order to facilitate the work suggested by decision second, of the Eleventh Department Convention, regarding the introduction of the "Flag Salute" in our schools, a committee is hereby appointed, consisting of the following:

Christina Voght, Corps No. 14, Denver, Colo.; Hannah E. Stuver, Corps No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.; Nettie S. Harker, Corps No. 8, Leadville, Colo.

Corps Presidents not having appointed committees to carry on the work of the "Patriotic Salute," will do so at once and instruct their committees to communicate with the members of Department Committee.

X. James W. Anderson Corps, No. 23, was instituted at Cripple Creek, Colo., July 2, 1895. Alice M. Seeds, President.

XI. ROLL OF HONOR, SECOND QUARTER 1895.

Farragut, No. 1	Custer, No. 20
Upton, No. 2	Reno, No. 21
Sedgwick, No. 3	W. T. Sherman, No. 24
Colorado Springs, No. 4	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27
T. H. Dodd, No. 5	Battle Mountain, No. 29
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6	Kit Carson, No. 31
E. V. Sumner, No. 7	McPherson, No. 32
J. A. Garfield, No. 8	Kilpatrick, No. 34
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9	Akron, No. 36
North Fork, No. 11	Pike's Peak, No. 39
C. W. Collins, No. 13	M. M. Crocker, No. 40
Veteran, No. 14	Phil Sheridan, No. 41
U. S. Grant, No. 15	Geo. Washington, No. 42
G. B. McClellan, No. 16	Joe Hooker, No. 43
Grand Junction, No. 17	Holyoke, No. 44
R. A. Cameron, No. 18	J. C. Fremont, No. 45

XII. So many kind letters have come to me during the short time of my administration that, owing to the correspondence necessary to Department work, I have been unable to answer.

I hereby thank all whose kindness and courtesy have prompted them to remember me in my work, and wish to assure them that their graceful acts are fully appreciated.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.
Laramie, Wyo., September 23, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 5.

The annual inspection of the Corps of this Department will take place during the months of October, November and December.

(Corps secretaries will read only such assignments as interest their Corps.)

Department Inspector Lucy M. Campbell will inspect the following Corps. Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 12, 13, 14, 15, 20, 21, 23, 27, 29, 31, 32, 34, 37, 39, 41, 43.

Department President Anna B. Holliday, will inspect Nos. 18, 24, 26, 36, 44, 47.

Department Senior Vice President Camilla S. Fair, will inspect Nos. 10, 11, 16, 17, 19.

Department Junior Vice President Hester W. Hartsell, will inspect Nos. 5, 25, 40, 42, 45, 46.

Corps No. 22 will be inspected by Department Aide Eliza Wright.

Corps Presidents will be notified of any change in the inspecting officer.

Corps Presidents will see that the Corps books are audited before inspector arrives; be prepared to answer all questions concerning inspection, and give a clear, concise statement as to the workings of their respective Corps.

Special meetings will be called for Inspection if found necessary.

Donations to the Soldiers' Home have been as follows:

U. S. Grant Corps. No. 15. \$10.

D. of V. Tent, No. 1, Greeley, \$10.

Almeda S. Kellogg, President of George Washington Corps No. 42, has answered the roll call from above.

This Department desires to extend sympathy to the afflicted family, and to the Corps of which she was a member.

"For death and life, with ceaseless strife,

Beat wild on this world's shore;

And all our calm is in that balm,

'Not lost, but gone before.'"

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FLICH,

Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,

Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., November 2, 1895.

General Orders.

No. 6.

I. The annual election of Corps officers will be held at the first regular meeting in December, or at a special meeting if necessary to conclude the election. Each member in good standing must be previously notified.

II. The election of Delegates and Alternates to the Twelfth Department Convention will take place at the same time.

III. The ratio of representation in this Department is one Delegate for every twenty members in good standing, as reported at the close of the third quarter ending September 30, 1895, and one for the final fraction of over one-half that number, with an equal number of Alternates.

IV. Members six months in arrears for dues are not entitled to vote; neither are they eligible to office.

V. Each Corps is entitled to one Delegate and one Alternate, whatever its membership may be.

All Corps Presidents and Past Presidents are Delegates.

VI. Article VII, Chapter II of Rules and Regulations, must be read before election. Election must be conducted according to Service Book.

VII. The newly elected officers shall elect the Installing Officer, the Corps Secretary immediately reporting their choice to the Department Secretary. If a member of another Corps be chosen the appointment will be made by the Department President upon the request of the officers elect. All expenses of the Installing Officer must be borne by the Corps.

VIII. Let your election of officers be made with thought and care, remembering that with them rests the welfare of the Corps for the coming year.

IX. The installation of officers will take place at the first regular meeting in January, or at a special meeting called for that purpose during the month. Joint installations with Posts are recommended.

X. Immediately after installation Corps Installing Officers shall forward the reports, the retiring Corps President certifying to correctness of same. One report is to be forwarded to the Department Secretary and one to Department Instituting and Installing Officer, Mary U. Calvert, 1007 Fourteenth street, Denver, Colorado.

XI. Corps Installing Officers are requested to be very careful in spelling the names on their reports as the Roster for Convention is made up from the same. The street and number of Corps Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Chaplains, living in cities, must be given.

XII. The blanks for quarterly reports for fourth quarter will be sent December 5, 1895. At the same time will be forwarded two election returns blanks and Corps Treasurer's bond. Corps Presidents not receiving the same by December 10, 1895, will report immediately to the Department Secretary.

XIII. Once more the attention of Corps Presidents is called to the necessity of having the quarterly reports made out on the day of the last meeting in the quarter and forwarded immediately to the Department Secretary. Delinquent reports seriously affect the standing of the Corps. Corps Presidents are under obligations to forward reports on time and are also responsible for the correctness of the same.

XIV. The following Corps are on the Roll of Honor for the third quarter, having sent in correct reports on or before the 5th day of October.

Farragut, No. 1	R. A. Cameron, No. 18
Upton, No. 2	Winfield Scott, No. 19
Sedgwick, No. 3	Custer, No. 20
Colorado Springs, No. 4	Reno, No. 21
T. H. Dodd, No. 5	W. T. Sherman, No. 24
George G. Meade, No. 6	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27
E. V. Sumner, No. 7	Battle Mountain, No. 29.
James A. Garfield, No. 8	Kit Carson, No. 31
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9	McPherson, No. 32
General Shields, No. 10	Kilpatrick, No. 34
Gunnison, No. 12	Akron, No. 36
C. W. Collins, No. 13	M. M. Crocker, No. 40
Veteran, No. 14	Phil. Sheridan, No. 41
U. S. Grant, No. 15	Joe Hooker, No. 43
Geo. B. McClellan, No. 16	J. C. Fremont, No. 45
Grand Junction, No. 17.	Phil Kearney, No. 47

XV. It is the wish of the Commander-in Chief of the G. A. R., that all old soldiers unite with the Order. Department Commander N. J. O'Brien says: "There are quite a number of old soldiers who would unite with the G. A. R. if the initiation fee could be paid." There are those already in the Order who find it impossible to keep their dues paid up.

The first object of the Woman's Relief Corps is "to specially aid and assist the Grand Army of the Republic." Therefore I request each Corps President to appoint a committee to consult with the Post Commander and ascertain the needs of the Post concerning this matter.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps;

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., January 22, 1896.

General Orders.

No. 7.

I. The Department President extends to the members of the Or-

der, throughout the Department, a fraternal greeting, and trusts that the work of the new year will be carried on with diligence.

To the retiring officers thanks are due for all efforts to discharge faithfully their duties; and to the new officers congratulations are extended.

II. To the Sons of Veterans the Department President hereby acknowledges courtesies extended and invites co-operation, trusting there may be an effort made for united work, between the Corps and Camps of this Department, that will result in good to all and especially to the Grand Army of the Republic.

III. The Daughters of Veterans, being closely identified with us in our work, have the best wishes of our Order.

IV. Corps not having considered paragraph VIII, of National General Orders No. 3, relative to National Relief Fund, are earnestly requested to take such action in the matter as seems most expedient.

Corps having no relief work to do in their own communities have an opportunity to assist the needy Veterans and their dependent ones in this way.

V. Josephine A. Cheeseman is hereby appointed Department Press Correspondent.

Corps Press Correspondents are requested to forward all matters of Corps interest to the Department Press Correspondent at Greeley, Colorado, who will forward to the National Press Correspondent for the National Tribune.

VI. Therese A. Jenkins, Cheyenne, Wyoming, having been appointed Chairman of Committee on Patriotic Teaching, committees on this work in the various Corps are requested to communicate with her, stating the work they have done, that credit may be given Corps at the next Department Convention.

VII. Corps Presidents are reminded that all contributions, for any object whatever, must be turned over to the Corps Treasurer.

All contributions of money for Soldiers' Homes must be sent to the Department Treasurer if credit is wished at Department Headquarters.

VIII. No provision having been made by this Department for cash contributions for Soldiers' Homes, it has been deemed advisable to appoint a Committee to receive the money sent by Corps to the Colorado Home, and to expend the same for such necessities as may be needed.

The following members of the Order are appointed: Janette L. Todd, Lucy M. Campbell, Leora Macarey.

The following members at Monte Vista are appointed for the purpose of informing the above Committee as to the needs of the Home: Effie V. B. Aldrich, Martha Nelson.

IX. Corps having sent cash donations to Colorado Soldiers' Home are as follows:

Grand Junction.....	\$25 00	Winfield Scott.....	\$10 00
Battle Mountain.....	5 00	Reno	5 00
W. T. Sherman.....	10 00	Akron	1 00
Sedgwick	5 00	M. M. Crocker.....	5 00
Nathaniel Lyon.....	25 00	J. W. Anderson.....	2 50
Kit Carson.....	5 00	Mulligan	1 00

TO WYOMING HOME.

W. T. Sherman.....	\$5 00	Akron	\$1' 00
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TO W. R. C. HOME.

Akron	\$1.00
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X. The following Corps have sent supplies to the Homes and reported the same:

TO COLORADO HOME

M. M. Crocker, rugs, valued at.....	\$ 8.00
J. A. Garfield, hospital supplies.....	35.00
Upton, bedding	15 00
Colorado Springs, bedding, jellies and reading matter.....	27.15

TO WYOMING HOME.

C. W. Collins, bedding.....	11.25
J. F. Reynolds, bedding and furniture.....	52.55
Custer, bedding and rugs.....	46.35

XI. Corps are earnestly requested to observe the anniversary of the birth of Lincoln, which occurs on February 12th. Let the Committees on Patriotic Teaching devise some means by which the day may be fittingly celebrated. The Acme Haversack's (Lincoln) leaflet, No. 50, contains sixteen pages of valuable selections for the occasion. It will be mailed to Woman's Relief Corps for 35 cents per dozen. Single copies, 5 cents. Address, the Acme Haversack, Syracuse, N. Y.

XII. A circular letter from the National President, accompanying these orders, states that Corps will send quarterly reports as heretofore. Blanks for quarterly reports will be sent March 5th. Corps Presidents not receiving them by March 10th, will report immediately to the Department Secretary.

Quarterly reports are to be made out on the day of the last meeting in the quarter.

Make the order for per capita tax (which is 15 cents) payable to

Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyoming, and send it, with reports, to Lida E. Fitch, Department Secretary, 306 Fourth street, Laramie, Wyoming.

XIII. Roll of Honor for quarter ending Dec. 31st, 1895.

Farragut, No. 1	Custer, No. 20
Upton, No. 2	Reno, No. 21
Sedgwick, No. 3	J. W. Anderson, No. 23
Colorado Springs, No. 4	W. T. Sherman, No. 24
George G. Meade, No. 6	Battle Mountain, No. 29.
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9	Kit Carson, No. 31
General Shields, No. 10	McPherson, No. 32
Gunnison, No. 12	E. M. Stanton, No. 37
C. W. Collins, No. 13	Pike's Peak, No. 39
Veteran, No. 14	M. M. Crocker, No. 40
U. S. Grant, No. 15	Phil Sheridan, No. 41
Grand Junction, No. 17.	Joe Hooker, No. 43
R. A. Cameron, No. 18	J. C. Fremont, No. 45
Winfield Scott, No. 19	Major Anderson, No. 46

James A. Garfield, No. 8

XIV. Thornburgh Corps, No. 25, has disbanded. It is the intention of the members to reorganize with a new Charter.

Geo. B. McClellan Corps, No. 16, disbanded Nov. 30, 1895..

Great credit is due Mrs. Nellie L. Bailey, President, for her brave and untiring efforts to keep the Corps in existence.

XV. On Dec. 9th, 1895, Rosella Goodrich, one of our brightest and best members, was called to her eternal home.

The sympathy of the Department is hereby extended to her family, and to Battle Mountain Corps, of which she was a member.

XVI. Corps Chaplains will please forward the names of deceased members to Libbie Kent Daniels, Department Chaplain, Denver, Colorado, in order that they may be included in the report to Department Convention.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.
Laramie, Wyo., March 29, 1896.

General Orders.

No. 8.

I. The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Woman's Relief Corps, will be held in Denver, Colo., April 22nd, 23rd and 24th.

II. Convention will be called to order in the First Baptist Church, corner Stout and Eighteenth streets, at 9:00 o'clock a. m., April 22nd.

III. Let each voting member be in her seat promptly at the hour named.

IV. All members of the Order are cordially invited to be present.

V. Convention membership will consist of National and Past National officers mentioned in Chap. III, Art. II, Sec. 1, of Rules and Regulations; all Department officers, all Past Department Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers; all Corps Presidents, or in their absence the Vice-Presidents in the order of their seniority; all Past Corps Presidents and all regularly elected Delegates or their Alternates.

VI. Above named representatives must be in good standing in their respective Corps.

VII. Past Corps Presidents transferred, are to be reported by the Corps in which they hold their membership.

VIII. Corps Secretaries must report at once any change in their delegations.

IX. Vacancies may be filled as provided in Chap. II, Art. VII, Sec. 5, Rules and Regulations.

X. Each member must secure the password from her Corps President.

XI. Department Headquarters will be established at the Albany Hotel, corner of Seventeenth and Stout streets.

XII. Comrade Fanning, manager of the Albany, offers board and rooms to Delegates for \$2 per day.

XIII. The Department Treasurer will close her books April 10th. All supplies must be ordered before that date.

XIV. Resolutions and recommendations to be presented to Convention should be forwarded to the Department Secretary before April 10th.

XV. Department officers are requested to send their reports to Department Headquarters by April 1st.

XVI. All bills against the Department must be sent to the Department Secretary by April 5th.

XVII. Contributions for Memorial Day in the South should be sent to the Department Treasurer by April 10th.

XVIII. The following Special Aides have been appointed for Convention:

Margelia E. Hamilton.....Corps No. 6.
Clara Rapp.....Corps No. 14.
Sarah Waldo.....Corps No. 40.
Elizabeth Betts.....Corps No. 42.
Jennie McKenzie.....Corps No. 1.
Anna Hunt.....Corps No. 21.

These Aides will please report at once to Margelia E. Hamilton.

XIX. Wadsworth Corps, No. 16, was instituted at Rocky Ford, Colo., March 18, 1896.

XX. Donations to Soldiers' Homes have been as follows:

COLORADO HOME.

Meade Corps, cash.....\$10 00
Sedgwick Corps, cash..... 50
Farragut Corps, blankets valued at..... 5 00
Veteran Corps, supplies valued at..... 15 00
Pike's Peak Corps, cushions and bedding valued at..... 4 00
R. A. Cameron Corps, cash..... 2 25
George Washington Corps, cash sent direct to Home..... 5 50

WYOMING HOME.

Custer Corps, hospital supplies.....\$16 00
Custer Corps, Bible..... 10 85

NATIONAL RELIEF FUND.

Custer Corps, cash.....\$10 00

XXI. Let each Corps President send quarterly reports promptly, thereby placing her Corps on the Roll of Honor.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., April 6, 1896.

General Orders.

No. 9.

I. Previous orders noted the time of the Twelfth Department Convention to be held in Denver. Delegates, wishing rooms at the Albany, are advised to correspond with J. D. Fanning, manager, and make their own arrangements.

II. Railroad rates, from all points where there are Posts or Corps throughout the Department, will be one fare for the round trip. Tickets will be on sale the 21st, and will be good until Monday the 27th.

III. There will a meeting of Department Council at Convention Headquarters, at the Albany, Tuesday, April 21st, at 7 o'clock p. m.

IV. The Credential Committee, consisting of Lida E. Fitch, Sadie M. Fisher and Mary J. Handyside, will be at Headquarters Tuesday afternoon, April 21st, from 3 to 5 o'clock, and at the First Baptist Church Wednesday morning, April 22d, from 8 to 9. Delegates to Convention will please present their credentials during the hours named.

V. The Journals of Thirteenth National Convention will be at Convention Headquarters and will be in charge of Mary E. Ingersoll, Chairman Executive Board, and Lucy M. Campbell, Department Inspector. The Journals will be distributed to Corps Presidents. If a Corps President is unable to attend Convention, she will please write an order for the Journal and give it to a member of her delegation. The Journals are the property of the Corps.

VI. Memorial Day blanks are sent with these orders.

VII. The following Corps have sent contributions for Memorial Day in the South:

Veteran, No. 14.....	\$1 00	Meade, No. 6.....	\$1 00
North Fork, No. 11....	2 00	U. S. Grant, No. 15....	1 00
C. W. Collins, No. 13...	1 00	Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8..	5 00
Custer, No. 20.....	\$1 00		

VIII. Custer Corps, No. 20, has presented a cow to the Wyoming Soldiers' Home.

IX. ROLL OF HONOR FOR FIRST QUARTER 1896.

Farragut, No. 1	R. A. Cameron, No. 18
Upton, No. 2	Winfield Scott, No. 19
Sedgwick, No. 3	Custer, No. 20
Colorado Springs, No. 4	Mulligan, No. 22
T. H. Dodd, No. 5	J. W. Anderson, No. 23
Geo. G. Meade, No. 6	W. T. Sherman, No. 24
E. V. Sumner, No. 7	Geo. H. Thomas, No. 26
Jas. A. Garfield, No. 8	Nathaniel Lyon, No. 27
J. F. Reynolds, No. 9	Battle Mountain, No. 29
Gen. Shields, No. 10	Kit Carson, No. 31
North Fork, No. 11	McPherson, No. 32
Gunnison, No. 12	Akron, No. 36
Caspar W. Collins, No. 13	E. M. Stanton, No. 37
Veteran, No. 14	Pike's Peak, No. 39
U. S. Grant, No. 15	Phil Sheridan, No. 41
Wadsworth, No. 16	Geo. Washington, No. 42
Grand Junction, No. 17	Joe Hooker, No. 43

J. C. Fremont, No. 45

X. All Department property in possession of Department officers or committees must be turned over to Department Treasurer during Convention.

XI. The date of General Orders No. 8, should have read March 23d, instead of March 29th.

XII. Pfeiffer Corps, No. 25, was instituted at Alamosa, Colo., April 1st, 1896.

An application for Charter has been received from Telluride and a Corps will be instituted at an early date.

XIII. Corps organized since Jan. 1st, 1896, will be represented at Convention by their Presidents or, in their absence, by the Vice Presidents according to seniority.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

The many friends of our Past Department President, Augusta B. Henderson, will be pained to hear of the great loss she has sustained in the death of her husband. The sympathy of the Department is extended to Mrs. Henderson and her family.

Again the "silent messenger" has entered our midst and taken two of our earnest workers. Carrie D. Copeland, of Corps No. 3, Durango, and Ada Herrick, an army nurse, of Corps No. 8, Leadville, have passed to the life beyond. 21

"For them hath bloomed a spring,
Whose flowers perennial deck a holier sod,
Whose music is the song that seraphs sing,
Whose light the smile of God."

In closing the work of the year I wish to thank the loyal women of the Corps in this Department for their earnest support and assistance in making the administration one of the most harmonious and successful in our history.

To the National Officers I am most grateful for kindness extended, and for the complimentary letters regarding the year's work.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department President.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,
Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., August 14, 1895.

Special Orders.

No. 1.

The National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be called to order at 10 o'clock a. m., September 12, 1895.

Department Commander N. J. O'Brien has extended a very cordial invitation to the members of the Woman's Relief Corps to accompany the Grand Army of the Republic on the official train to Louisville. This train will leave Denver at 8:20 p. m., Saturday, September 7, 1895. Fare for the round trip, from the following points, will be \$30, and a proportionate rate from other stations: Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Greeley and Cheyenne.

A chair car will be furnished free; \$7.50 will be the price of sleepers.

Assistant Adjutant General W. H. Conley has very kindly offered to secure berths for members of the Woman's Relief Corps who send

the necessary amount to him at 1625 Champa street, Denver, Colorado.

Headquarters will at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, Louisville, Kentucky, during the Convention, where all friends of the Order will be welcomed.

The sad news has reached us that Anna M. Gavitt, Second Alternante to National Convention, has passed from her earthly work.

Corps will drape their Charters for thirty days from the receipt of this notice.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.

Headquarters Department of Colorado and Wyoming,
Woman's Relief Corps,

Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic.

Laramie, Wyo., November 2, 1895.

Special Orders.

No. 2.

The season is near at hand when, as a nation, we will be called upon to give thanks to the Ruler of all for the blessings of the year.

As we return grateful acknowledgements for our many mercies let us not forget those who saved our country and who, now sick and feeble, are spending their last days in our Soldiers' Homes.

The glad Christmas-tide will closely follow. It is our privilege, as well as our sacred duty, to care for these needy ones. What time is more suited to relieve and cheer them than the approaching seasons?

General Stitzer, Commandant of the Wyoming Home, says: "The greatest and most urgent needs of the Home at present are bed comforters, rugs to cover the bare floors between the cots, pillows and a few comfortable, easy chairs for those most feeble.

The Home at Monte Vista, Colorado, has been cut off without any appropriation. The Home is in debt for everything since July. Gen-

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MAY 12, 13 AND 14, 1897.

eral French, Commandant, says: "Being in debt it is difficult to specify our particular needs. What is needed more than anything, next to money, is sheets, pillow cases, coverlids, rugs, delicacies for hospital and flannel underclothing."

The cold weather is here and these old soldiers must not be allowed to suffer. Years ago, when they were in their prime, they braved the storms of winter, sleeping in the sleet and the snow, while they were battling for the old flag. Now they are suffering from the hardships and exposures of thirty years ago, and I would earnestly urge Corps to do all in their power to make pleasant and comfortable the declining years of those who are especially their care, remembering the words of One who said: "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me."

A donation to the Home is relief work and money for such purpose should be taken from the Relief Fund. All articles sent to the Homes should be reported to these Headquarters, stating the value, that due credit may be given.

Joe Hooker Corps, of Monte Vista, Colorado, purchased and presented to the Hospital of the Colorado Home a wheeled invalid chair.

All supplies for the Wyoming Home must be sent to Frank A. Stitzer, Commandant, S. and S. Home, Cheyenne, Wyoming.

Supplies for the Colorado Home must be sent to S. M. French, Commandant, Monte Vista, Colorado.

Corps must pay the charges on all packages sent.

All donations of money for either Home must be sent to the Department Treasurer, Sadie M. Fisher, Cheyenne, Wyoming, who will receipt for the same and forward it to the Home for which it is intended.

By command of

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,
Department President.

Official:

LIDA E. FITCH,
Department Secretary.



Ella L. C. Quinell,

DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT.

Roster of Woman's Relief Corps.

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FARRAGUT CORPS, NO. 1,

Denver.

Corps President, Hester W. Hartzell*

Past Corps Presidents, Ida DeLange

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" " " Minnie Benson

" " " Martissa Hinsdale

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" Mary McGee

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Corps President. Anna M. Hammond

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Delegate,

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" " " Sarah Russell*

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" Margrette Williams

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No 6, Denver.

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"	Laura Wilson*
"	Lydia Wilson*
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"	Ella Murden
"	Mary Webb
"	Ella S. Crane

E. V. SUMNER CORPS, NO. 7,

Silver Cliff.

Corps President,	Sarah H. White
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" " "	Kate Brewer
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" " "	Addie R. Steward
" " "	Carrie McNeely

JAMES A. GARFIELD CORPS,

No. 8, Leadville.

Corps President,	Etta Brodie*
Past Corps Presidents,	Susie Searl*
" " "	Camilla S. Fair*
" " "	Maria Wolcott
" " "	Nettie Harker
" " "	Hattie Bunn
" " "	Jennie Paddock
Delegates,	Anna Ambrosion*

J. F. REYNOLDS CORPS, NO. 9,
Cheyenne, Wyo.

Corps President,	Bertha Myers
Past Corps Pres.	Hattie Cowhick
" " "	Mary Maynard
" " "	Emily E. O'Brien
" " "	Theresa A. Jenkins
" " "	Mary F. Hader
" " "	Sadie M. Fisher*

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"	Harrietta Argesheimer

Alternates,	Kate McCabe
"	Delia Swan

GENERAL SHIELDS CORPS,

No. 10, Newcastle,

Corps President,	Margaretta Pearson
Past Corps Presidents,	Ellen Hahn
" " "	Eva Trimble
" " "	Eliza Chadwick

Delegate,	Lizzie Yule
Alternate,	Eva Trimble

HOTCHKISS CORPS, NO. 11,

Hotchkiss, Colo.

Corps President,	Mary A. Miller
Past Corps President,	Mary A. Miller
" " "	Mary P. Sheek

Delegates, Nellie Banon
 " Eliza Reich
 Alternates, Gertrude Duke
 " Maggie Miller

GUNNISON CORPS, NO. 12,

Gunnison.

Corps President, Nellie M. Crump
 Past Corps Pres. Jessie Sharp Purrier
 " " " Emma L. Martin
 " " " Sarah E. Williams
 " " " Laura E. Miller
 Delegates, Alma Wegener
 " Dora Smith
 Alternates, Charlotte Smith
 " Fannie Broy Whipp

CASPER W. COLLINS CORPS,

No. 13, Rawlins, Wyo.

Corps President, Hannah E. Strever
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 Delegate, Carrie Hughes
 Alternate, Alma Kirk

VETERAN CORPS, NO. 14,

Denver.

Corps President, Mecca E. Chester*
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 " " " Dorcas Hassen*
 " " " Sadie Essington
 " " " Lucy Langdole
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 " Mary E. West*
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 " Mary Calvert
 " Sadie Waters
 " Anna Huff

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Greeley.

Corps President, Theresa C. Welch*
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 " " " Climena G. Howard
 " " " Jennie G. Harper
 " " " Josephine Cheeseman
 " " " Lucy J. Dresser*
 " " " Anna B. Sanborn
 " " " Kate E. Hanna
 " " " Clementine S. Hawes*
 " " " Esther H. Randolph*
 Delegates, Jennie Brockway
 " Florence Brodfield*
 " Emma Beetham*
 Alternates, Libbie Watson*
 " Mary E. Norcross
 " Fannie N. Lee

WADSWORTH CORPS, NO. 16,

Rocky Ford.

Corps President, Mary H. Guthrie
 Past Corps Presidents, Flora J. Hall
 " " " Anna S. Burr*
 Delegate, Anna S. Burr*
 Alternate, Sarah Martin

GRAND JUNCTION CORPS,

No. 17, Grand Junction.

Corps Presidents, Elizabeth Bartlett

Past Corps Pres. Ella B. Ackerman*
 " " " Adelia Dittman
 " " " Ida M. Fallis
 Delegates, Hettie E. Rundle*
 " Dora Dittman*
 Alternates, Minnie Davis
 " Amy Young

R. A. CAMERON CORPS, NO. 18,
 Ft. Morgan.

Corps President, Hattie H. Otis
 Past Corps Pres Matilda J. Hotchkiss
 Delegates, Amanda Dodds
 " Annie L. P. Garver
 Alternates Clara E. Gilbertson
 " Emma J. Stromberg

WINFIELD SCOTT CORPS, NO. 19
 Aspen.

Corps President, Mary E. Youngson
 Past Corps Pres Olive M. Bacou*
 " " " Hannah R. Johnson*
 " " " Gwendoline Powell
 " " " Jennie McKnight
 Delegates, Edith M. Williamson*
 " E. S. Floyd
 Alternates, Maggie McLellan
 " Martha Scanson

CUSTER CORPS, NO. 20,
 Laramie, Wyo.

Corps President, Mary E. Ingersol
 Past Corps Presidents, Adda Ulen
 " " " Sarah W. Pease
 " " " Lida E. Fitch
 " " " Anna B. Holliday*
 " " " Anna Bristol
 " " " Olivia Peale
 " " " Phoebe Gerhart

Past Corps Pres. Anna E. Woodard
 " " " Mina F. Hawks
 " " " Maria Baillie
 Delegates, S. J. Miller*
 " S. W. Pease*
 Alternates, Olivia Peale
 " Charlotte Brandis

RENO CORPS, NO. 21,
 Denver.

Corps President, Ida Critchel*
 Past Corps Presidents, Olive Hogle
 " " " Lucy Capron
 " " " Anna W. Phillippis
 Delegates, Ruth McGill
 " Elizabeth Martin*
 Alternates, Emily R. Begole
 " Marie Rose*

MULLIGAN CORPS, NO. 22,
 Springfield

Corps President, Mary E. Robertson
 Past Corps President, Mary E. Cole
 " " " Mary E. Robertson

J. W. ANDERSON CORPS, NO. 23,
 Cripple Creek

Corps President, Stella A. Kyle*
 Past Corps Pres., Alice M. Seeds*
 " " " Loretta Mummah*
 Delegates, Anna K. Denny
 " Anna M. Walsh*
 Alternates, Alma Rohrig*
 " Mattie Stansburg

W. T. SHERMAN CORPS, NO. 24,
 Evans.

Corps President, Jessie A. Laughlin
 Past Corps Presidents, Lydia Young

Past Corps Presidents, Nellie S. Flint	Alternates,	Eugina Young
" " " Maggie McCain	"	Eva Metcalf
" " " L. H. Herriott	"	Emma Terry
PFEIFFER CORPS, NO. 25,	STEADMAN CORPS, NO. 28,	
Alamosa.	Telluride	
Corps President, Elizabeth Wilbur*	Corps President, Henrietta Glenn	
Past Corps Pres. Elizabeth Wilbur	Past Corps Pres. Henrietta Glenn	
GEORGE H. THOMAS CORPS,	BATTLE MOUNTAIN CORPS,	
No. 26, Fort Collins,	No. 29, Red Cliff	
Corps President, Mary Weidman	Corps President, Lydia B. Tague	
Past Corps Presidents, Elnora Baker	Past Corps Pres. Josephine Mays	
" " " Sarah Stephenson	" " " Dora Griener	
" " " Ida E. Seckner	" " " Fannie McCabe	
" " " France Stamaret	" " " Clara F. Pierce	
" " " Olivia Manderville	" " " Hattie Gay	
" " " Ella Walsh*		
Delegates, Marthaia C. Fisk*	JIM BOWIE CORPS, NO. 30,	
" Luch Beach	Creede.	
Alternates, Sara Davis	(ORGANIZED FEBRUARY 25, 1897.)	
" L. Van Burt	Corps President, Francis M. Boucher	
NATHANIEL LYON CORPS, NO. 27	M'PHERSON CORPS, NO. 32,	
Boulder.	Longmont.	
Corps President, Clara L. Whitney*	Corps President, Sarah Richart	
Past Corps Pres. Burwick Anderson	Past Corps Presidents, Mary L. Carr*	
" " " Laura S. Dodge*	" " " Orphie E. Bacon	
" " " Isa E. Crosby	" " " Eva G. Coffin	
" " " Emma D. Adams*	" " " Mary E. Smith*	
" " " Katherine O'Brien	" " " Emily F. Beckwith	
" " " Virginia Feeny	" " " Belle Abbott	
Delegates, Etta Coan*	Delegates, Julia Coffin	
" Lizzie Day	" Helen Barney	
" Mary Ulmer	Alternates, Ellen Wheatley	
" Therssa Wiesenhorn	" Rosetta Webb*	
Alternates, Fannie Dickey		

RICHARDSON CORPS, NO. 33,

Las Animas

(ORGANIZED APRIL 2, 1897)

Corps President, Daisy Burk*

KILPATRICK CORPS, NO. 34,

La Junta

Corps President, Catherine Jones

Past Corps Pres. Maggie M. Lane

" " " Jennie Ferrel

" " " Helen Manley

" " " Catherine Jones

" " " Nellie E. Brooker

" " " C. Davis

" " " Sarah E. Decker

Delegates, E. Bradley

Alternate, E. Randolph

AKRON CORPS, NO. 36,

Akron.

Corps President, Ella E. Derby

Past Corps Pres. Nellie L. Bailey

" " " Martha M. Aikens

" " " Glenn R. Langley

" " " Ella E. Derby

Delegate, Florence Stevens

Alternate, Maggie Ricketts

E. M. STANTON CORPS, NO. 37,

Salida.

Corps President, Lydia McDole

Past Corps Presidents, Lizzie Smith

" " " Margaret Delo

Delegates, Immogene Duncan*

" Eva Evens*

Alternates, Emma Comstock

" Eliza Yates

PIKES PEAK CORPS, NO. 39,

Manitou

Corps President, Katie L. Sahrbeck*

Past Corps Pres. Christena Thornton

" " " Frances Johnston

" " " Irene Elerick

" " " Nettie Barker

" " " Mary Savage*

Delegate, Alice Barney*

Alternate, Catherine Cree

M. M. CROCKER CORPS, NO. 40

Denver

Corps President, Sarah E. Waldo*

Past Corps Pres. Lucy M. Campbell*

" " " Emma C. Scrivner

" " " Minna Rischie*

" " " Elnoora C. Brown

Delegates, Alice A. Easton*

" Lyde Pratt*

" Ellen N. Pierce*

Alternates, Minnie Gould

" Adaline Stuart

" Mrs. Hill

PHIL SHERIDAN CORPS, NO. 41,

Buena Vista

Corps President, Fayetta Allum*

Past Corps Pres. Lucy E. Campbell

" " " Julia W. Logan

" " " Eliza Norton

" " " Helen L. Berrian

Delegate, Mary Mears

Alternate, Matilda Huley

GEORGE WASHINGTON CORPS,

No. 42, Denver.

Corps President, Margretta Kauffman*

Past Corps Presidents, Lue Faust*	Alternates	Lizzie B. Sylvester
" " " Adelia Macauley*	"	Lida Strawn
" " " Carrie Russell	HOLYOKE CORPS, NO. 44,	
" " " Margretta Kauffman	Holyoke.	
" " " Debia Moser*		
Delegate, Miriam B. Clark*	Corps President,	Julia H. White
Alternate, Mary Neely	Past Corps Pres.	Julia H. White
	" " "	Virginia Heller
JOE HOOKER CORPS, NO 43,		
Monte Vista.		
Corps President, Belle M. Packard*	No. 45, Littleton.	
Past Corps Pres. Eliza F. Sickles	Corps President,	Dora Horton
" " " Effie V. B. Aldrich*	Past Corps Presidents,	Inez B Hill
Delegates, Hattie French*	" " "	Mary E. Cozens*
" Lucy C. Monroe	" " "	Jennie Chapman
" L. L. Fassett*	Delegate.	Jennie Misner*
Alternates, Alice B. Cheney	Alternate,	Jessie Stuart

* Denotes members present.

† Deceased.

PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Thirteenth Annual Convention,
OF THE
Woman's Relief Corps.

The Thirteenth Annual Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, Department of Colorado and Wyoming assembled in Weber Hall, Colorado Springs at 9 a. m. on Wednesday, May 12, 1897.

Meeting called to order by the Department President, Ella L. C. Dwinnell, who announced the Credential Committee, requested all delegates present to present their cards and asked the pleasure of the Convention in regard to an open session. Moved by Mrs. Hardin of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Mummah, of Cripple Creek, that we have an open session. Carried.

After the singing of the opening ode and a musical selection by Miss Olive Dwinnell, the Convention was led in prayer by the Department Chaplain, Olive M. Bacon.

The address of Welcome by Mrs Irene DeToliver of Colorado Springs was then delivered as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION:

It is with some embarrassment, I attempt to address you, and welcome you to our city, the homes of the members of the Colorado Springs Woman's Relief Corps. Not that I am ashamed of our city, or its surroundings, or the homes of our members, though humble they may be; but because I feel my inadequacy, to couch into words, the great honor of addressing an assembly, composed of

women, who have consecrated the best efforts of their lives to the work of administering unto others, and as we look over the assembly met together in Convention, at different times, we are forcibly reminded, that not only the veterans are growing old, but the Woman's Relief Corps as well; for the majority of our members have passed the meridian of life, and many have grown old in the work, but not discouraged. Though the step may have become feeble, the once beautiful tresses whitened and thin, the once rosy cheek pale and wrinkled, yet the eye is bright, the hands clasp each other with the same warm grasp, the heart beats with the same tender affection for the old veteran, as it did over thirty years ago, when the mother pillowed the head of her darling boy, upon her bosom, many of them for the last time, and when the wife received the last embrace, while she looked into the eyes of her husband, with that deep tender affection, that none but the wife knows. Many of these aged women, are today, at the very brink of the river, while the dear ones are waiting to greet them on the other side. And when we of middle age, look upon these dear sweet faced old ladies, we take courage. When we see their zeal, and energy, in caring for these afflicted comrades, their widows, and orphans, we feel like pledging ourselves anew to the sacred principles of the Woman's Relief Corps; and when we see their devotion, and loyalty, in strewing the flowers over our heroic dead, we feel like extending our arms, and lifting our voices, and calling on all, the loyal women of America, to come into our fold for the life of the old soldier, is made more pleasant and the many bodily aches and pains, that is the lot of every old veteran, is made more bearable; and the wants of widows, and orphans, are supplied by the gentle hand, and loving care, of the Woman's Relief Corps. Then let us be ever mindful of this great responsibility; and be sure we are worthy of the name we bear. Although each year, some of our members are being carried to the great beyond, yet our ranks are growing fuller, as the loyal women are coming in and filling up the vacant places. And we rejoice to see the good work go on, and we, the members of the Colorado Springs Woman's Relief Corps, also rejoice, that we have the pleasure, of extending to this Convention, a cordial welcome to our city and our homes.

We are here, from mountains and glens,
From valleys, and plains.
The wives, mothers, and daughters, of the boys in blue,
And the loyal women, so brave and true.
We are all here, with one purpose in view,
And for the same purpose, we've met many times before
That, of promoting the cause, of the Woman's Relief Corps.
The cause, and the work we love so well
The emblem is F. C. and L.
The bread foundation of the G. A. R.
Who so gallantly won their honors and scars
And to talk over the days of wars.
The remnant of the mighty host, has met once more
But could not be complete, without the Woman's Relief Corps.
Then let the words, ring from pillar to dome,
That we welcome you to our homes,
Yes, let them rise up, as if on wings,
Until they, to the very echo ring
That we welcome you to Colorado Springs,
And may kind Providence, his blessing forevermore,
Rest, and abide, with the Woman's Relief Corps

Mrs. Clemantine S. Hawes of U. S. Grant Corps briefly responded to the address of Welcome in the following words:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND LADIES OF THIS CONVENTION :

In behalf of the members of this Convention, I wish to thank the Relief Corps of Colorado Springs and the citizens of your beautiful city for the right royal welcome given us. It is a great privilege for us to be permitted to gather here, under the shadow of these grand old mountains.

Opening our Convention today under such favorable auspices, I hope we shall all, so appreciate the courtesy shown us, that it will be an inspiration to us to strive to have a Convention so profitable and so harmonious, that the work of this, the 13th Convention will redound to the honor and glory of, not only our Order and your

city but also to the "Grand Army of the Republic," to which we are auxilliary.

The president called the senior vice president, Mrs. Hardin to the chair and proceeded to read her address which was referred to the following committee: Laura S. Dodge of Boulder, Ida Critchel of Denver and Susie Searle of Leadville.

Address of Department President.

Officers and Members of the Thirteenth Annual Convention W. R. C.

It is now nearly thirteen months since you delivered into my hands the reins of this Department I am sure no one has entered upon the duties of this office who more fully realized her unfitness for the work. I had given the matter no thought until I stood before you as the president of this Department and felt the responsibility I must assume to be the leader of this band of able and earnest women. To be elected and installed is a pleasant and easy matter, but to take up the work of others, add one more link in the chain and see that it is well done is quite different.

I am here before you today with the consciousness that I have tried very hard to do my work and I am, without doubt, the severest critic I have on the work done by this administration. I would have liked unlimited time and money to accomplish all I saw that could be done, but as I had neither I did all my time and strength would permit. I am sure what has been lacking in your president has been more than fulfilled in the work done by her assistants, for I am sure no officer has had more conscientious helpers and the relations have been very pleasant.

THE SOLDIER'S AND SAILOR'S HOME.

One of my first visits was to our Soldier's and Sailor's Home at Monte Vista. Through the kindness of the President of the Commission, in July last, I accompanied them, with Commander

Dodge and our Inspector Alice M. Seeds on their inspection of the Home. We found the home well cared for in all material things for their comfort, but there was a great dearth of things to instruct or amuse. The Library and absence of decorations were noticeable. There was a great quantity of old magazines as far back as the early Eighties, all of which many of the men had read years ago. There were but few books of any value and only one or two pictures. While the State now supplies plenty of comforts, fresh literature, works of art or decorations are conspicuous by their absence. I would recommend that our Corps be requested to furnish the home with these things, as many of the men are too ill to go about much and are in need of these benefits. On my return, I at once appointed a committee of one, at each home, to look after their needs, and you will find in the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer how well they did their work. There is also need of small comforts for the hospital that will suggest themselves to our Corps and are needed every year. As directed by your last Convention, I appointed a Legislative Committee to attend to the building of cottages in the future. As you know, our legislature failed to act on the removal of the Home. While I felt that in many respects, particularly on account of the altitude and the distance from our larger centers, it was not the best place for the Home, yet, after visiting it twice I feel sure that they have many things to rejoice in that they have fallen into good hands and that Joe Hooker's Corps has constantly proved itself most loyal to the Home.

It has also been my privilege to visit the Home in Wyoming. I found it located in a most attractive part of Cheyenne. While it is still small, the provisions for the future are ample. For genial Commanders of our Homes I think this Department is highly favored and the old soldier who falls to their care and the kindly sympathy of their wives is certainly blessed. I hope at no distant day the Department President, like the Department Commander, may, by virtue of her office, become a member of the Soldier's and Sailor's Home Board, for if in the future there are to be cottages for the wives and the veterans, there should be at least one W. R. C. member upon the Board.

NATIONAL CONVENTION.

The National Convention at St. Paul in September was attended by seven of our representatives who took an active interest in the work of the Convention. The weather was fine most of the time and the attendance large. St. Paul may well be proud of the entertainment given us, and I am sure no more interesting conventions are held in this country than the conventions of the Grand Army of the Republic. I am sure none are more royally entertained. If the work of the conventions could be a little more expeditiously done, I think it would add much to the pleasure of those who attend. And while courtesies from one body to another are very pleasant, they can take up valuable time and be much over done. I should like to see both National and Department Conventions set apart the work of conventions so that the courtesies might not interfere with this work. I am sure it might be so arranged.

INSPECTION.

This Department was thoroughly inspected. I had hoped to be able to say that every Corps was visited. We divided our work into Districts, three of the officers doing the work with the Inspector. All corps were visited except Mulligan at Springfield and had it not been for a severe snow storm, it would not have escaped. Our secretary, who had that work, found it impossible to reach there. Our Inspector will give you a most complete report of her work. For my part, I enjoyed it beyond measure and when I wound up my work at Laramie, Wyoming on November 30th our Counselor asked me if I was not worn out. I told her I had gained from two to three pounds per week. It would not look well to confess to excessive weariness. I can truly say I enjoyed every day of my month's work. Among the pleasures of this year's work, I count the personal friends made, as the best to be remembered and carried in memory's treasure house.

OFFICIAL VISITS.

I have made only one or two official visits, counting it of more importance to Department work that the inspection should be as thorough as possible and I hope in the future I may be able to visit many of the Corps. The many kind invitations I have received have all been appreciated and will be remembered with pleasure.

COMMITTEES.

Persuant to recommendation, I appointed a Committee of Corps Treasurer and Secretary work after publication of the sample sheets. I found our National had already sample sheets to correspond with the Treasurer's books and that we are obliged to get our supplies of National, so I recalled those sent out and sent the National in their places. I also appointed a committee on Convention badges. I would recommend that the silver badges worn by our national delegates have fresh ribbon each year as they are always soiled after being worn at the convention and are not suitable to be worn a second time. It has been the custom heretofore for the Department to purchase expensive badges and expect them to last for several administrations. If less expensive badges were worn, fresh ones might be purchased each year. Our silver badges are reduced to seven now. Each delegate is expected to give a receipt for them until they are returned to the Department and the Treasurer should be very particular to see that they are returned.

OUR RELIEF WORK.

We have had many calls for relief the past year. I find many Corps have had more than they could do and the amount for the past year has been unusually large, over \$5000. Our Chairman has done her work in a faithful manner. I appointed my committee from different points in the State but of course most relief given has been in the large centers.

DISBANDED CORPS.

We report two. The Harris Corps disbanded in September 1896. There seemed to be some trouble between Post and Corps that could not be adjusted and under the circumstances it seemed best to disband, which was done by Lucy M. Campbell of M. M. Crocker Corps of Denver, but as many of them joined the Crocker Corps, they were not lost to the Department. Kit Carson Corps No. 31 of Lamar disbanded December 30, 1896 which was caused by the loss of their hall by fire, they feeling it a useless struggle to continue longer. The President forwarded their charter and supplies to headquarters.

CORPS ORGANIZED.

Jim Bowie Corps No. 30 with 14 charter members was instituted at Amythest, February 25, 1897 by our Junior Vice President Effie V. B. Aldrich with Frances M. Boucher as President. On April 2nd, 1897 there was organized Richardson No. 33 a Corps of 31 members at Las Animas by Senior Vice President Fannie D. Hardin and Emma Johnson of Denver, with Daisy Burk as President, keeping our number the same as last year. Were it not for delinquents, we would have gained in numbers.

MEMORIAL DAY.

With every year, this becomes a more sacred day, and I am sure the disposition to make it a day of pleasure is on the decline, as more and more of the comrades join that army "of whose tent the curtain never outward swings," the more sacred the day will become. And while the 30th of May has been set apart in honor of our Nation's heroes, yet we can well afford to let all the world pay honor to their dead upon that day, and may it become a memorial day for all who have battled for the true principals of life whether on battle field or not. It will always carry with it the best there is of love for those who have filled, in the world's work, an honorable place, and the day can only make more sacred the acre of ground and the soldier's monument that will stand in every cemetery as a remembrance of the love our generation gave to this Nation and the sacrifice that was made that the beautiful flag, given us by our heroic fathers, should never stand for less than the whole Nation, that its stars and bars, its field of blue, must stand for Union of all the States, for in our Union and our flag is our strength. And let us never entertain the thought even, that this Nation will ever be anything but the United States of America.

ANDERSONVILLE PRISON FUND.

At the last National Convention there was given into the hands of the Woman's Relief Corps by the comrades of Georgia, free of all debt, the property belonging to the prison, which we are to keep in order. The request was that every member contribute five cents for this purpose. There is no desire to perpetuate the unpleasant memories of this prison, only that it be kept as many other places

now are, historic ground and as a memorial to the men who spent so many weary days there. Many Corps in this Department have so far responded to the call, and all Corps who can will not fail to send their mite for this fund.

PATRIOTIC TEACHING.

Our chairman Adda Ulen has done most efficient work but I fear she has been oftentimes discouraged, as our Corps committee has been so slow to respond. But I feel there is much to encourage us and that love of Country is deeply enshrined in the hearts of the children and will bear much fruit by and by.

FINANCES.

We have aimed to be as careful as possible with the money entrusted to our care and if the Treasurer is not able to show quite as good a balance, you will remember in the change to quarterly reports this year, it has called for five payments of per capita tax, to which had been added one cent, that the double amount of General Orders and the Testimonial to President all came out of the General fund, making expenses more than last year. And here I would recommend that those papers that belong to Department and are only needed as a matter of History, be kept in one place designated by the past Presidents of this Department; and that the Department need not be at the expense of moving them from place to place. And that every out-going Officer look over carefully her work with a convenient member and destroy useless correspondence and reports, and label and file all necessary papers for the use of the incoming officers. I would also recommend that all recommendations or resolutions accepted be put in file or book together, and that General Orders giving the decisions of convention be filed in a book by themselves so that officers will not have to look through so much material to find what they want.

GRAND ARMY.

I wish to acknowledge the kindness of the Grand Army. Our Commander has been an ideal one. I feel that I have been favored in the associations of the past year. Commander Dodge left little for me to look after at the National Convention, and all through the year he has given his loyal support and aid to the W. R. C.

and from many of the comrades over the Department I have received many gracious courtesies and we believe there are no more gallant or kindly men than belong to the Grand Army of the Republic. From the Sons of Veterans and the Ladies' Aid, with all organizations for the relief of the soldier or his dependent ones, I have received only the kindest wishes, all of which I appreciate.

TO MY STAFF.

It is with reluctance that I give up the pleasant associations of the past year. To me it has been a year where my associations with you have helped me to bear burdens that were heavy ofttimes. One cannot stand as the center of so many loyal hearts for even one year and not feel the impulse to a larger and better life. This year has carried me often beyond the petty cares and worries of life and I can truly say you have helped me more than I have served you. I shall leave this chair a debtor to you all, and in the years to come, no member of this Department can come to me that I shall not be glad to welcome. I can hold out my hand to you all in the broadest sense of Fraternity, Loyalty and Charity, and (the greatest of these is Charity). To my successor I would say that I know the loyal hearts she will have. I can congratulate her before she is elected and can assure her that while there is much to do, there will be so much pleasure that the work will not bring weariness.

ELLA L. C. DWINNELL,

Department President.

Immediately after the President's address, a committee of the G. A. R. Colorado Springs Post No. 22, consisting of Comrades Herron and Remick was announced by the Guard and introduced by the President. Comrade Herron, on behalf of the G. A. R. invited the entire delegation to spend the afternoon at Cheyenne Canon. On motion of Mrs. Adams of Boulder, seconded by Mrs. Clark of Denver, the invitation was accepted and a vote of thanks tendered the G. A. R. for their kindness.

The President introduced to the Convention, Comrades Essington of Denver, Denney of Cripple Creek and Sawyer of Boulder as

a committee of greeting from the G. A. R., who made short addresses after which the Department President presented each with a badge. Mrs. Telford, of Grand Junction, suggested that a committee of the W. R. C. be appointed by the President to escort the Comrades back and carry to the G. A. R. the greetings of the W. R. C. The President appointed Mrs. Holliday of Laramie, Wyoming, Mrs. Der-Toliver of Colorado Springs, Hester Hartzell of Denver, Mrs. Dodge of Boulder, Mrs. Hamilton of Denver and Mrs. Seeds of Cripple Creek to act on that committee. Moved by Mrs. Hardin of Denver seconded by Mrs. Beetiam of Greeley, that the committee extend an invitation to the G. A. R. to have a joint installation with the W. R. C. Carried.

After a few minutes recess, the Convention was again called to order and the President appointed as Conductors, Mrs. Clark of Colorado Springs and Dora Dittman of Grand Junction; assistant Conductors, Mrs. Ellison of Colorado Springs, Mrs. Dunsangan of Denver; Guards, Mrs. Guernsey of Colorado Springs, Mrs. Farley of Cripple Creek and Edith Williamson of Aspen. The Conductors were requested to take up the pass word, all not members of the order being requested to retire. The President then announced her committees.

On the return of the committee on greetings, Comrade Essington made a few touching remarks for which the Convention tendered him a vote of thanks. Mrs. Holliday reported that the committee on greetings had been cordially received and the invitation for a joint installation given, but the G. A. R. had not acted upon it as yet.

Relief Report of Department President read and greatly applauded.

A committee of the Ladies Aid was presented to the Convention the Chairman of which stated that the Ladies Aid was auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans, was in hearty sympathy with the W. R. C. and wished to extend greetings. The President presented them with badges and they were escorted from the hall.

The following reports were then read and referred to committees:

Report of Senior Vice President.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary W. R. C.

MADAM: In compliance with the rules and regulations of our order I submit the following report:

The honor so unexpectedly conferred upon me by the delegates of the 12th Dept. Convention one year ago was duly appreciated, and I have ever since tried to be on the alert for work pertaining to the good of the order. At our first Council meeting, held the same day we were installed, I pledged to our President my hearty support and have endeavored to keep the pledge, holding myself ever ready to obey her summons, but she has so ably filled her position that there has been little left for her subordinates to do.

I have attended three of the four Council meetings held; have written many letters regarding pension claims and to posts having no Relief Corps, urging them to have an auxiliary organized or to resurrect disbanded ones. I have secured an increase of pension of \$6.00 per month for a gentleman 75 years old and hope to get another increase for him ere long, besides attending to some other claims that are making good progress.

I, with the help of Emma Johnson, Past President of Veteran Relief Corps of Denver, organized Richardson Relief Corps No. 33 at Las Animas, with a charter membership of 30, on April 2nd, 1897, which I am sure will be a great accession to our order and I believe is the largest charter membership of any corps ever organized in the Department. Having secured transportation, we lay this at your feet with no expense whatever to the Department and predict splendid work from these thirty earnest women. I have also individually added sixteen members to my own Corps, George G. Mead, No. 6, of Denver and it was my privilege to install the officers of my Corps.

It was my pleasure to attend, in company with the Dept. President, Ella L. C. Dwinnell, and several of our order, as well as Commander Dodge of the G. A. R. and his staff, the National

Convention held in St. Paul in September. The G. A. R. and W. R. C. banners were hung side by side from the joint headquarters at the Ryan Hotel, and it was a trip long to be remembered by all who attended. St. Paul people were indefatigable in their efforts to entertain us.

At the National Headquarters in St. Paul I met the Matron of the Soldiers' Home in Iowa and two of the Board of Commissioners and, on inquiring as to the dormitory and cottage system in use at the Home, received a very cordial invitation to visit the Home on my return and investigate for myself. I was *glad* to avail myself of this opportunity and notwithstanding time was limited, I went, and I assure you I have never regretted it. It is to me one of the most pleasant features of my trip. I found a commodious Home for single men, a large Hospital and beautiful grounds. I found little white cottages for the old soldier and his old wife, and a dormitory with about thirty old ladies, widows and mothers of soldiers, all happy and well cared for by the State. I asked one of the old comrades how the plan worked there and he replied "It is grand. Go home and work for the same plan in your State."

We *had* a Legislative Committee and on January 23rd, by request of Laura S. Dodge, Chairman, Emma Johnson, Past President of Veteran Corps, and myself were added to the Committee. Through the kindness of Lieut. Governor Brush an arrangement was made for us to accompany the Senate Committee on their visit to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista and later through Comrade Harbottle, to Fort Lyon, the proposed site for the location of the Home, provided it was moved from Monte Vista. It was my first visit to the Colorado Soldiers' Home and I was very pleased to go. We found the inmates well housed (only very crowded). They seemed well satisfied with the management of the Home, speaking in very endearing terms of Commander French and wife. They were well fed and clothed, thus far everything was pleasing to them, but they complained bitterly of the long winters and were anxious to be moved. We found the Hospital full, and many were there with rheumatism. We found the dead house contained three bodies awaiting interment.

One week later we visited Fort Lyon. We found a very dif-

ferent climate and were favorably impressed with the proposed change as, in connection with a mild climate, there was plenty of room for all old soldiers as well as for the dependent wives, widows and mothers of old soldiers, sailors or marines. This feature was very pleasing to us as we have long felt the need of a home for the dependent ones where, when an old comrade is unable longer to battle with the stern realities of the world, he will not have to be torn from his old wife and companion but may take her with him to comfort her and she him in their last days.

A report of our work will appear in Legislative Committee report.

In October I was assigned the corps in the northeastern portion of the State, as well as Littleton, to inspect, a report of which will appear in inspectors report, but I want to thank the members of the corps I did visit for their kindness to me.

By invitation, I accompanied the Inspector, Alice M. Seeds, on her official visit to several of the corps, and several were visited with the Department President on the occasion of her inspection and official visit.

Early in the year H. O. Dodge, Dept. Commander G. A. R., Colorado and Wyoming, appointed me one of five Auxiliary Aides on on his staff, a position I have greatly appreciated and have tried to perform the duties pertaining to the office as best I could. I was invited to attend, as a member of his staff, several open meetings, chief among which was to the Commander's own Post and its auxiliary, (Nathaniel Lyon Post and Corps), of Boulder, a trip long to be remembered by me.

In December last I received notice that I had been appointed W. R. C. National Aide, and later received a letter instructing me to visit as many corps as possible and call their attention to the patriotic teaching, etc, and report to Malissa Caylor, Chief of Staff. Noblesville, Indiana, in time for her consolidated report for the National Convention. Would like to say to the Corps that I cannot visit, that a report concerning the standing of their corps, what they have accomplished in the way of patriotic teaching, sent to me will be greatly appreciated, as I want Colorado and Wyoming to have

a good showing in National Report. I have made several official visits as National Aide, and hope to visit many more before I submit my report.

And in conclusion, I wish to thank you all for the honor conferred upon me, and trust I have in some small degree been of benefit to our beloved order, and I bespeak for my successor the same courteous treatment that you have at all times accorded to me, and hope that she may realize the same pleasure from the office that I have. And Mrs. President, I wish especially to thank you for favors received, as well as for your kind and courteous treatment at all times. To the Dept. Secretary and Treasurer my thanks are also due as well as to every member of our order I have met, not forgetting Mrs. Buel, Senior Vice President of Salida Corps, who rendered such valuable assistance in the organization of the Corps at Las Animas a few weeks ago.

Respectfully yours in F. C. & L.,

FANNIE D. HARDIN,
Senior Vice President.

Report of Junior Vice President.

Monte Vista, April 24, 1897.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM: In obedience to the rules and regulations of our order I have the honor of submitting through you my report as Junior Vice President. I have received from the different corps in the Department during the year \$55.50 to be used for "Colorado Soldiers Home," and \$6.50 for The Home in Wyoming.

\$2.00, the profit on the periodicals ordered was donated, and with this I subscribed for the Deutsche Zeitung for the German comrades. Making a total of \$64 expended by me for the two "Homes." \$33 was used in purchasing books for "The Hospital"

at the Colorado Home, \$15 for dressing gowns for the same, \$9.50 for periodicals for Colorado Home and \$6.50 for periodicals for the Wyoming Home. The periodicals and dressing gowns were purchased by the request or with the approval of the Corps sending the money. The books for the Hospital library were purchased after consultation with the Department President and "Executive Board." The Corps entrusting this money to me to be expended were: Battle Mountain No. 29, \$10; Veteran No. 14, \$10; W. T. Sherman No. 24, \$3; Major Anderson No. 46, \$5; Winfield Scott No. 19, \$5; M. M. Crocker No. 40, \$4; T. H. Dodd No. 5, \$5; Grand Junction No. 17, \$2; Reno No. 21, \$5; Farragut No. 1, \$3; Casper W. Collins No. 13, \$5; Sedgwick No. 3, \$5.

The books, magazines and papers, furnished "The Home" by the different Corps have been greatly enjoyed by the comrades caring to read. Although the amount expended has not been large, it has caused me much anxiety as I have been exceedingly desirous of using it to the best advantage, and in exact accordance with your wishes. On the 25th of February by order of Department President I instituted Jim Bowie Corps No. 30 at Creede. Initiating 18 members and installing the officers.

I am requested by the President to report general conditions at "The Home." A good per cent of the comrades being cared for are worthy, self respecting men, who through sickness or misfortune have found it necessary to seek this refuge in their old age. They fought our battles, endured many a weary march in unnoticed patience, stood lonely sentinel through nights of terror and pain, and justly now are the nation's honored guests. I am informed by officers of "The Home" that a large per cent of the men lost health and the power to provide for themselves and families through intemperate and vicious habits. Most of these say they have not been so well physically or morally for many years. A need much felt is a building or room large enough to be used for entertainments and religious services. At present all other needs are bountifully supplied.

When we consider the previous condition of many—that the minds of some are feeble through sickness and old age—that some would be unhappy anywhere without whiskey (the enemy that has

killed more soldiers than rebel bullets), and all are idle. They seem remarkably contented and happy. Too much cannot be said in praise of the present Commander. He has had great patience and brotherly kindness, and studies their interests and needs regardless of his own. His good wife is sympathizing friend and sister to them all. For the most unlovely she has only pity, she is the comforter at every sick bed and the mourner at every funeral.

The work of the year has been made pleasant by the courtesy of the President and all with whom I have been in communication. I feel amply repaid if my services have benefited the Department, and trust they may merit your approbation.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

EFFIE V. B. ALDRICH,

Department Junior Vice President.

Report of Department Secretary.

Colorado Springs, Colo., May 11, 1897.

To Ella L. C. Dwinell, Department President,

DEAR MADAM: In compliance with the rules and regulations of the W. R. C. I have the honor to submit to you and to the members of the Thirteenth Annual Convention the following report of the membership and conditions of the Corps in this Department: When you assumed the duties of your office there were 42 Corps in the Department with a membership of 1464.

RETURNS FOR SECOND QUARTER.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Charter	51	By Death	12
By Initiation	142	By Hon. Discharge	33
By Transfer	22	By Transfer	33
Reinstated from suspended	22	By Suspension	137

Reinstated from Dropped	11	Delinquent Reports	63
Total	<u>248</u>	Total	<u>278</u>

Membership June 30, 1896, 1434.

RETURNS FOR THIRD QUARTER.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Charter		By Death	3
By Initiation	32	By Hon. Discharge	12
By Transfer	11	By Transfer	4
Reinstated from Suspension	19	By Suspension	41
Reinstated from Dropped	2	Delinquent	103
Reinstated from Delinquent	49		
Total	<u>113</u>	Total	<u>163</u>

Membership September 30th 1896, 1384.

RETURNS FOR FOURTH QUARTER.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Initiation	28	By Death	3
By Transfer	16	By Hon. Discharge	14
Reinstated from Suspension	19	By Transfer	25
Reinstated from Dropped	5	By Suspension	53
" Delinquent Reports	101	Delinquent	25
Total	<u>169</u>	Total	<u>120</u>

Number in good standing December 30, 1896, 1433.

RETURNS FOR FIRST QUARTER.

Gain.		Loss.	
By Charter	14	By Death	3
By Initiation	41	By Hon. Discharge	13
By Transfer	14	By Transfer	32
Reinstated from suspension	19	By Suspension	61
Reinstated from Dropped	4	By Delinquent Reports	22
Delinquent Reports	20		
Total	<u>112</u>	Total	<u>131</u>

Number in good standing March 31, 1897, 1414.

Making a loss during the year of 50 members.

RELIEF.

Cash.			Other than Money,		
Second Quarter, 1896	\$252.29		Second Quarter, 1896	\$334.03	
Third " "	307.35		Third " "	398.05	
Fourth " "	770.70		Fourth " "	1,866.25	
First " 1897	580.01		First " 1897	819.75	
Total	\$1,910.35		Total	\$3,418.08	

Donation to Soldiers' Home \$51. Donation to Andersonville Prison fund \$56.65.

Number of Members Assisted.			Number of Soldiers and Their Families Assisted.		
Second Quarter 1896	24		Second Quarter 1896	461	
Third " "	20		Third " "	243	
Fourth " "	30		Fourth " "	480	
First " 1897	16		First " 1897	472	
Total	90		Total	1,656	

CORPS DISBANDED DURING THE YEAR.

Major Anderson No. 46, Harris, Sept. 28, 1896.

Kit Carson, No. 31, Lamar, Dec. 30th, 1896.

These Corps disbanded in regular form sending in all supplies to Department Headquarters.

CORPS ORGANIZED DURING THE YEAR.

Jim Bowie, No. 30, Amethyst, Feb. 25, 1897

Richardson, No. 33, Las Animas, April 2, 1897

Richardson Corps being organized since March 31 will appear on next Quarters report.

Thirteen General Orders and one Circular letter from National have been issued, and six General Orders, two Special Orders and one Circular letter from Department. The Journals of the Twelfth Annual Convention, the pass words and blanks have been promptly sent to all entitled to them. All but six Corps in the Department have promptly sent in all reports, and been on the Roll of Honor, and those who have not are Corps who are either young in the work

or not meeting only once a month make it very hard for them to get reports to headquarters on time. A few reports have been returned for correction, and for the courtesy with which they received the corrections, I wish to thank them. I have received nothing but kindness from all the Department and I wish to express my appreciation of the same to every Corps. If Corps Presidents would only be a little more careful in looking over and comparing the reports of their Secretary and Treasurer, and be sure they correspond it would save much trouble at Headquarters.

The year just closing of Department work has been a pleasant one in many respects to me. The kindly words and letters of sympathy received by me in my recent sorrow from many of the dear sisters throughout this Department will always be remembered and treasured by me and though I may never know you personally you will always have a warm place in my heart.

And to you Mrs. President, I cannot find words to express my appreciation of your kindness and the many hours we have spent together have been both pleasant and profitable to me. And to my successor I will say may the year to come be as pleasant to you in your relation with the Department officers as the past has been to me, and may we never forget the old soldiers and his dependent ones, and always keep before us our motto, "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty."

Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

Report of Department Chaplain.

Aspen, Colo., May 9, 1897.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary:

I have the honor to submit the following report as Department Chaplain, for the year just closing as required by rules and regulations.

Would that I could state to you all the work done, the good accomplished and the lessons of loyalty and patriotism taught by our earnest women of the Woman's Relief Corps. From all over our Department comes the grand reports telling us of the immense amount of work performed by our faithful members, of the love we cherish for Memorial Day, the day set apart to honor our brave heroes, who willingly gave their lives for our liberty. Had it not been for the storm universally the day would have been observed with more than usual interest.

The death angel has been busy among us as you will see by the number of deaths, as follows:

Sara M. Powers, John C. Fremont Corps No. 45, died April 23, 1896.
 Mary E. Smith, Veteran Corps No. 14, died May 1, 1896.
 Alice Hardisty, James A. Garfield Corps No. 8, died May 27, 1896.
 Eliza Mitchell, James A. Garfield Corps No. 8, died Nov. 23, 1896.
 Hulda Hoover, M. M. Crocker Corps No. 40, died Dec. 25 1896.
 Sara Pullman, George H. Thomas Corps No. 26, died Jan. 30, 1897.
 Agnes Mick, James W. Anderson Corps No. 23, died Feb. 6, 1897.
 Emma Smiddle, George G. Meade Corps No. 6, died April 16, 1897.
 Laura Edwards, T. H. Dodd Corps No. 5, drowned in flood July 24, 1896.
 Jane Whitenack, Colorado Springs Corps No. 4, died April 12, 1897
 Mary E. Bartlett, Custer Corps No. 20, died May 24, 1896.

In Tribute to the memory of the departed Sisters many loving words have been said. May we so live that when we pass the dark river that flows at the foot of the hill of life, that affectionate and kind words may be said of us.

In closing my report, I wish to extend a fraternal greeting.

Most Respectfully Submitted in F. C. and L,

OLIVE M. BACON,

Department Chaplain.

MEMORIAL REPORT OF DEPARTMENT CHAPLAIN, W. R. C., FOR THE YEAR 1896

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	Membership of Corps.	No. members taking part in Memorial Day Exercises.	Did (Kings as a body attend the Sabbath Memorial Service?	How many Soldiers (Graves were Deceased?	How many Children took part?	What expense was incurred?	Were Refreshments provided for the Post?	Were Flowers provided Post by purchase or contribution?	Was a Memorial prepared to "Unknown Dead."	GENERAL REMARKS BY CORPS CHAPLAIN.	
Farragut.	1	Denver.	40	40	No	500	2	\$ 3 00	No	Both	Yes	Day fine, could not wish for better time.	
Upton.	2	Pueblo.	34	23	Yes	95	23	3 10	"	Con.	No	Children crowned Columbia saluted flag.	
Sodewick.	3	Durango.	24	16	"	30	12	3 00	"	"	Yes	Post requested no parade take part in ex.	
Colorado Springs.	4	Colorado Springs.	47	50	"	75	100	3 25	Yes	Both	"	G.A.R. services largely attended by old ex.	
T. H. Dodd.	5	Golden.	84	43	"	29	100	40 00	No	Pur.	"	Graves of W. R. C. decorated.	
George G. Meade.	6	Denver.	88	41	"	200	500	40 00	Yes	Both	"	Citizens and officials in parade.	
E. V. Sumner.	7	Silver Cliff.	12	4	"	138	600	13 60	Yes	Con.	"	Storm interfered with program.	
Janica A. Garfield.	8	Leadville.	115	50	"	44	600	13 60	Yes	Con.	"	Day observed; societies in parade.	
J. F. Reynolds.	9	New Castle.	22	10	"	2	50	14 30	No	Both	"	Speeches, vocal and instrumental music.	
General Shields.	10	Hotchkiss.	40	30	"	16	100	14 30	No	Both	"	Day fittingly observed.	
North Fork.	11	Gunnison.	32	17	"	56	100	12 00	Yes	Con.	"	Monument to "Unknown Dead" erected.	
Gunnison.	12	Rawlins.	35	21	"	80	500	9 15	No	"	"	Entertainment by Corps.	
Casper W. Collins.	13	Denver.	78	64	"	340	30	6 00	"	"	"	Day fittingly observed.	
Veteran.	14	Denver.	82	70	"	80	500	15 10	"	Both	"	\$14.10 donated at Union Services.	
U. S. Grant.	15	Greeley.	23	18	"	3	50	17 60	"	Pur.	"	Unveiling monument to "Unknown Dead"	
Wadsworth.	16	Rocky Ford.	51	27	"	12	100	2 00	"	Con.	"	Services impressive; parade 2 miles long.	
Grand Junction.	17	Grand Junction.	41	20	"	99	50	13 55	Yes	Con.	"	Day generally observed.	
R. A. Cameron.	18	Aspen.	41	20	"	43	500	6 40	No	"	"	No graves decorated.	
W. Infield Scott.	19	Aspen.	41	20	"	43	500	3 00	"	"	"	No services on account of rain.	
Custer.	20	Laramie.	33	20	"	500	5	3 00	"	"	"	Inclumency of weather bad for parade.	
Reno.	21	Denver.	33	35	"	22	24	1 80	Yes	"	"	Sickness and new Corps did best we could	
Mulligan.	22	Springfield.	30	21	"	22	5	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day fittingly observed.	
J. W. Anderson.	23	Tripple Creek.	13	11	"	9	125	5 00	No	"	"	Monument erected to "Unknown Dead."	
J. F. Sherman.	24	Evans.	14	13	"	9	100	8 41	No	"	"	If all storm interfered with services.	
Pfaffner.	25	Alamosa.	20	14	"	61	100	8 75	No	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
George H. Thomas.	26	Ft. Collins.	50	25	"	50	60	3 00	No	"	"	Day fittingly observed.	
Nathaniel Lyon.	27	Boulder.	22	14	"	13	70	1 80	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Sleadman.	28	Boulder.	22	14	"	13	70	1 80	"	"	"	Day fittingly observed.	
Battle Mountain.	29	Red Cliff.	22	14	"	29	68	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Kit Carson.	30	Lamar.	24	14	"	29	68	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
McPherson.	31	Longmont.	53	30	No	29	68	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Kilpatrick.	32	La Junta.	31	7	No	29	68	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Akron.	33	Akron.	8	7	No	29	68	13 70	Yes	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
E. M. Stanton.	34	Salida.	32	13	Yes	25	25	8 41	No	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Pike's Peak.	35	Manitou.	33	14	"	500	500	3 00	No	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
M. M. Crocker.	36	Denver.	56	0	"	19	23	3 00	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Phil Sheridan.	37	Buena Vista.	21	21	"	500	500	3 00	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
George Washington.	38	Denver.	22	20	"	45	250	3 00	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Joe Hooker.	39	Monte Vista.	38	30	"	45	250	3 00	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Holyoke.	40	Holyoke.	No	re-	port	10	27	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
John C. Fremont.	41	Littleton.	17	14	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Major Anderson.	42	Littleton.	12	12	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Major Anderson.	43	Littleton.	12	12	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Major Anderson.	44	Littleton.	12	12	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Major Anderson.	45	Littleton.	12	12	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	
Major Anderson.	46	Littleton.	12	12	Yes	10	40	1 25	"	"	"	Day observed by Post and Corps.	

After report of Department Chaplain, a resolution was introduced by Mrs. Holliday, of Laramie, that Corps Chaplains present their reports to Corps before sending to Department Chaplain. Referred to Committee on Resolutions.

On motion the Convention adjourned until 2 p. m.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Meeting called to order at 2 p. m. by Department Secretary, other Department officers being absent. On motion the Convention adjourned until 9 a. m., May 13 in order to accept the invitation of the G. A. R. Post of Colorado Springs to visit Cheyenne Canon.

MORNING SESSION THURSDAY, MAY 13, 1897.

Convention called to order by the Department President at 9 a. m.

Roll call to which 92 Delegates responded and 17 Department officers. The President instructed Conductors to take up the pass word. Singing of opening ode, at close of which the Department Chaplain led the Convention in the Lord's Prayer.

The President requested the Secretary to read roll call of past Department Presidents. Mary J. Telford of Grand Junction, Mary L. Carr of Longmont, Laura S. Dodge of Boulder, Janette Todd of Denver and Anna B. Holliday of Wyoming responded to the call and the President instructed the Conductors to escort them to the platform.

Minutes of last meeting read, corrected and approved.

The Department Treasurer's report was then read and referred to committee. The report was as follows:

Report of Department Treasurer.

OFFICE OF TREASURER,
DEPARTMENT COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS.

Denver, Colo., May 5, 1897.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C.:

MADAM: In compliance with our rules and regulations, I have the honor to submit herewith a financial statement for the term ending May 5, 1897.

ACCOUNT CURRENT.

Mrs. Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Relief Corps.

Debits.

Received from Sadie M. Fisher retiring Treasurer	\$ 356 25
Per Capita Tax	883 50
Sale of Supplies	246 19
Charter Jim Bowie Corps	3 00
Memorial Day in the South	16 00
National Council of Women	30
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home, Monte Vista	44 50
" " " " Wyoming	6 50
Andersonville Prison Fund	56 65

Total Receipts	\$1612 89
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Credit.

Per Capita Tax, 5 quarters, to National Treasurer	\$ 216 33
Supplies from National Treasurer	188 22
Postage and Express on above	10 35

Carried forward	\$ 414 90
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Total Receipts brought forward	\$1612 89
Credits brought forward	414 90
Postage, Express, Telegrams, Exchange and Advertising	106 67
Printing General Orders, Circulars and Stationary	111 90
Dep't. Badges and Printing same for National Convention	16 68
Printing 500 Journals	116 00
Printing, Typewriting and Postage Specimen sheets for	
Secretaries and Treasurers of Corps	12 85
Patriotic Literature and Postage on same	7 85
Janitor service Convention 1896	5 00
Expenses Department President National Convention 1896,	37 00
" " Headquarters at " " "	48 00
Railroad Fare and Expenses to Council Meetings and	
Auditing Treasurer's Books	36 45
Transferred to Relief Fund	89 52
Glass for Department Banner Case	1 50
Trunks for Department Secretary and Treasurer Supplies	10 50
Salary for Department Secretary and Treasurer	100 00
Expenses for Convention, Colorado Springs, May, 1897	75 00
Present for retiring President	50 00
Memorial Day in the South	16 00
Soldiers' and Sailors' Home Monte Vista	44 50
" " " " Wyoming	6 50
Andersonville Prison Fund	56 65
National Council of Women	30
Inspection of Corps and Soldiers' and Sailors' Home at	
Monte Vista	190 23
Total	\$1554 00
 Total Debits	 \$1612 89
Total Credits	1554 00
 Cash Balance in General Fund	 \$ 58 89

RELIEF FUND.

Debits.

April 27, 1896 Received from Sadie M. Fisher	\$ 40 33
Rec'd from Lucy McMahon Chairman of Dep't Relief	2 05
" " Janette Todd, Balance Soldiers' Home Fund	5 50
" for National W. R. C. Home	3 15
Transferred from General Fund	89 52
Total	\$ 140 55

Credits.

Department Relief Committee	\$ 87 19
National Treasurer W. R. C. Home	3 15
Total	\$ 90 34
Cash Balance in Relief Fund	\$ 50 21

ASSETS.

Cash on hand, General Fund	\$ 58 89
Cash on hand, Relief Fund	50 21
Supplies on hand	124 19
Department Property	363 75
Total Assets	\$ 597 04

RECOMMENDATION No. 1. That the Past Department President send the Journals to those entitled to them direct, thus saving double freight on same.

RECOMMENDATION No. 2. That the Department Secretary and Treasurer properly fill out reports, blanks of Secretary and Treasurer and Relief Committee and send to Corps with the first blanks sent out after their installation.

In closing my year's work I wish to express my appreciation of the many acts of kindness shown me by my associate Officers, especially the Department President, and of the good words and wishes which have been sent to me by many whom I have never met.

Hoping that I have gained some friends and wishing the good work we are engaged in God speed, I will say farewell.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

CLARA RAPP,

Department Treasurer.

LIST OF SUPPLIES.

May 5th, 1897.

78 Badges, 14 Members, 64 Officers	\$ 31 20
Badge Ribbon 6 yards Membership	1 50
" " 1 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Corps Officers	32
" " 5 $\frac{1}{4}$ " Department	1 44
Emblems: 19 Bronze, 13 Silver, 4 National—Total 36	1 08
Rituals: 53--1893; 5--1895; 26--1897—Total 84	21 00
4 Service Books	1 00
26 Rules and Regulations	2 60
4 Burial and Memorial Books	40
124 Applications for Membership	1 24
246 Arrearage Blanks	1 23
41 Corps Treasurer Bonds	82
3 Corps Requisition Blanks	60
3 Sheets of Music "Opening Ode"	30
2 Initiation Marches	50
96 Ode Cards	1 92
97 Discharge Cards	1 94
168 Transfer Cards	3 36
101 Visiting Cards	2 02
4 Journals	3 20
9 Ledgers	8 10
7 Cash Books	6 30

Carried Forward	\$ 92 07
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Supply Account Brought Forward	\$ 92 07
3 Roll of Members	2 70
3 Corps Secretary's Order Books	1 50

4 Corps Treasurer Receipt Books	2 00
1 General Order File	60
8 Letter Files	5 60
6 Red Books 4-1897; 2-1895	3 90
1 Large Electro	35
1 Small Electro	25
4 Specimen Sheet Ledger	16
4 Specimen Sheet Cash Book	16
5 Bronze Recognition Pins	1 25
2 Rolled Gold Recognition Pins	2 00
501 Corps Treasurer Reports Form W	5 01
1 Department Secretary Order Book	70
1 Department Treasurer Receipt Book	70
6 Parliamentary Laws (Diagrams)	4 50
1 Charter (Blank)	25
65 Invoice of Supplies	49

Total \$ 124 19

LIST OF DEPARTMENT SUPPLIES.

May 5th, 1897.

1 Hectograph	\$ 3 50
1 Letter Scale	1 50
Banners	275 00
7 Silver Badge Pins	21 00
1 Trunk Treasurer	6 00
1 Trunk Secretary	4 50
1 Supply Ledger	6 50
1 Per Capita Tax Book	2 94
1 Ledger	8 00
1 Seal	3 00
1 Charter	10 00
Department Officers Badges	3 60
39 Gilt Seals	24
$\frac{1}{2}$ Yard of Charter Ribbon	25
2 Letter Book Department Secretary	1 40

Carried forward \$ 347 43

Department Supply Account Brought Forward	\$ 347 43
1 Yard Department Ribbon	25
1 Secretary Order Book	70
1 Treasurer Receipt Book	70
26 National Delegates Cards	32
2 Beath's Blue Books	2 00
2 Red Books 1-1895; 1--1897	1 30
1 Ritual 1897	25
4 Rules and Regulations, 1 new and 3 old	40
3 Service Books	1 50
2 Burial Service and Memorial Books	20
2 Department Service Books	1 00
Book on Patriotic Teaching	1 00
4 National, Department Bound Books	4 00
Chart of Declaration of Independence	1 00
2 General Order files	1 20
A large Supply of Journals, Department and National	
2 Installation Service	50
Total	\$ 363 75

FREE BLANKS.

96 Corps Treasurer Quarterly Reports
 173 Corps Secretary Quarterly Reports
 119 Relief Reports Form N
 10 Form U
 93 Form G
 57 Form L
 1 Application for Charter
 9 Secretary Consolidated Blanks
 4 Treasurer Consolidated Blanks.

Report of Department Inspector.

Cripple Creek, Colorado, April 24, 1897

Mrs. Marion Sutton, Department Secretary.

MADAM: In compliance with Rules and Regulations of our Order, I have the honor to submit to you and the officers and members of the Thirteenth Annual Convention the following report of duties performed, and condition of the respective Corps in this Department:

Number of Corps August 31, 1895	39
Number of Corps August 31, 1896	42
Number of Corps Inspected	40
Number of Meetings Held	1117
Number of Members in Good Standing (Gain 24)	1469
Average Amount Charged for Initiation	\$1 02
Average Amount Charged for Dues	\$1 36
Number of Corps with Rituals Complete	40
Number of Corps Forwarding Reports to Department	40
Number of Corps Treasurers	41
Number of Corps Treasurers who visit and Explain Rules to Delinquent Members	37
Number of Corps Forwarding Relief Reports to Post	34
Number of Corps with Books Audited	30
Number of Corps with Rituals Memorized	9
Number of Corps with Work Otherwise Properly Performed	30
Number of Corps with Secretary's work Properly Performed	38
Number of Corps with Treasurer's work Properly Performed	34
Number of Corps having a Relief Fund	36
Amount of Money in Relief Fund	\$761 43
Amount of Money Expended in Relief	\$1547 73
Amount of Relief Other than Money	1935 59

Total Relief Including, Money, Clothing, Food etc. \$3483 32

Amount Turned over to Posts		\$300 25
Corps which have Expended \$50.00, or more in Money for Relief :		
Colorado Springs	Number 4, Colorado Springs,	\$ 53 15
George G. Meade	Number 6, Denver,	121 65
J. A. Garfield	Number 8, Leadville,	148 50
Veteran	Number 14, Denver,	109 15
U. S. Grant	Number 15, Greeley	64 15
Grand Junction	Number 17, Grand Junction,	75 50
Winfield Scott	Number 19, Aspen,	101 80
Custer	Number 20, Laramie,	127 90
Nathaniel Lyon	Number 27, Boulder,	163 28
M. M. Crocker	Number 40, Denver,	54 00
George Washington	Number 42, Denver,	64 15

The following Corps were inspected by Department President Ella L. C. Dwinell, who reported as follows:

FARRUGUT, No. 1, Denver. This is a band of earnest women twenty-six members being present at inspection. The ritual was well exemplified and books well kept. The oldest Corps in the Department in number, will maintain the dignity and effectiveness of the Order. A splendid relief work done.

SEDGWICK, No. 3, Durango. A substantial Corps of this Department, loyal and true to the work which was well performed. The Relations between the Post and Corps are very harmonious, as was demonstrated by the enjoyable camp-fire held in the evening.

E. V. SUMNER, No. 7, Silver Cliff. This Corps was reached after a stage ride of twenty-eight miles and I found them few in number and quite discouraged. Seven of the ten members were present at the inspection and were greatly pleased by being honored with a visit by a Department officer, having been neglected for several years. They have survived the hard times and decrease in number and are anxious now to keep up the work.

J. F. REYNOLDS, No. 9, Cheyenne. This is an excellent Corps and the work of the officers most conscientiously performed.

The Soldiers' Home of Wyoming is located here and this Corps, as well as the other Corps of the state, take great pride in their Home in looking after the comforts of the Veterans which proves a worthy object for their relief work.

CASPER W. COLLINS, No. 13, Rawlins. This Corps is one of the best in the Department in the rendering of the ritualistic work. The President and her associate officers having the ritual committed, and performed the same in a very impressive manner. Their interest in the objects of the Order is equally good.

VETERAN, No. 14, Denver. This Corps, as the name signifies, is a Veteran in its good works, ranking first in the amount of relief expended. The work was well exemplified, each officer taking special pride in performing their duties. Under "Good of the Order" selections of music were rendered and the flag salute was given.

CUSTER, No. 20, Laramie. This is a number one Corps, composed of good workers. Twenty-two members were present at the inspection. The ritualistic work was well performed and a splendid relief work done. Under "Good of the Order" the flag salute was given in a very effective manner.

RENO, No. 21, Denver. This is an active, wide-awake Corps ranking among the first in ritualistic work. The Secretary's and Treasurer's books are well kept. The Chairman of the Executive Committee reported the amount of \$212.00, the result of their dinner served during the carnival; an excellent relief work done.

J. W. ANDERSON, No. 23, Cripple Creek. "It is pretty hard to be judicial where your heart is interested, but I tried to be so." As I organized this Corps, you will pardon me if I am partial to my only child. Yet I can say it is one of the most earnest Corps in the Department; with much relief work on hand, it keeps them in good working order and I felt a great pride in the manner in which the entire work was performed. At the close of the meeting, they presented me with a gold souvenir spoon, emblematic of the "Great Gold Camp."

PFEIFFER, No. 25, Alamosa. This is one of the new Corps, being organized just before last Convention. The members are en-

ergetic and competent and I have great expectations for their future, as I found them anxious for instructions in the work of the Order. Their hospitality is unlimited, as shown me during my stay of three nights with them, which was necessary in going to and fro from Monte Vista.

STEADMAN, No. 28, Telluride. Although a new Corps, they have many bright, loyal members. They sustained a loss by the removal of their President to Denver. The new President presided during inspection; with practice and time this will be one of the best Corps in the Department. They suffer, as most mining camps do, from a change in the personnel of their members.

E. M. STANTON, No. 37, Salida. With good loyal workers and good attendance, this is one of the reliable corps of the Department. The President is ably supported by an efficient Corps of officers, and the work was well done. The amount of relief expended is creditable to the members.

JOE HOOKER, No. 43, Monte Vista. This is one of the best working Corps in the Department in observing the objects of the Order. The Soldiers' Home being located so near, by the many courtesies extended, they have endeared themselves to the inmates. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the President, the Senior Vice presided, the ritual work being well performed and books well kept.

The following Corps were inspected by Fannie D. Hardin, Department Senior Vice President, who reported as follows:

R. A. CAMERON, No. 18, Ft. Morgan. This Corps is one of the best in the Department. The officers having the ritual memorized, performed the work in a dignified manner. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer are well kept. They have a good relief fund, but have few calls.

W. T. SHERMAN, No. 24, Evans. This Corps is composed of fourteen members with an average attendance of eight. Great interest was manifested in executing the work. They have done considerable amount of relief other than money but did not take credit for it.

AKRON, No. 36, Akron. This handful of earnest workers are worthy of commendation for their devotion to the Order in maintaining the organization through all their discouragements. Prospect for new members very favorable.

HOLYOKE, No. 44, Holyoke. This far-away Corps has been very much discouraged, owing to the loss of members, and were on the verge of disbanding. The ten remaining members, seemed to be inspired with new life and will try and hold the organization and accomplish something in the future.

JOHN C. FREMONT, No. 45, Littleton. Owing to the absence of the President, the Senior Vice deserves great credit for the efforts made in keeping up the Corps. Secretary and Treasurer's books well kept. The Corps is too modest in reporting the creditable amount of relief work done "other than money."

The following Corps were inspected by Marion Sutton, Department Secretary:

UPTON, No. 2, Pueblo. This is a live, wide-awake Corps, and the ritualistic work performed in a creditable manner by their excellent Corps of officers. A good relief work done.

WADSWORTH, No. 16, Rocky Ford. This new Corps is prospering and doing good work—all interested in the objects of the Order.

KIT CARSON, No. 31, Lamar. I find them a band of the faithful few, having had bad luck in losing their property and Corps supplies by fire. With harmonious and pleasant relations existing, they are doing what they can for the good of the Order. They have done considerable relief work, besides donating \$35.00 to the Post.

KILPATRICK, No. 34, La Junta. This Corps is lacking in interest and in need of good instruction. Owing to a severe storm I only saw the Secretary's and Treasurer's books and found them in fair condition. Both officers are doing the best they can under the circumstances.

I had the pleasure of personally inspecting the following Corps:

COLORADO SPRINGS, No. 4, Colorado Springs. This is one of the best Corps in the Department. A good attendance at Inspection, including a number of visitors from Manitou and other Corps. The ritual work was beautifully exemplified, the President and Conductor deserving special mention. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer kept in a thorough business manner. With a number one relief committee, the objects of the Order are carefully maintained. The library movement for the Soldiers' Home received favorable consideration.

T. H. DODD, No. 5, Golden. This Corps has many enthusiastic members who are doing a splendid relief work, and exemplified the objects of the Order in caring for the children of the loved member they lost in the dreadful flood that visited their city. The financial condition ranks among the first in the Department. Senior Vice-President, Fannie D. Hardin, accompanied me.

GEORGE G. MEADE, No. 6, Denver. One of the best in the Department. The ritualistic work of this Corps was beautifully performed, the ritual being memorized by each officer, not even a ritual in sight. With a competent Secretary and Treasurer, the books were correctly kept. This Corps is to be congratulated on their efficient relief committee, which work is second to none in the Department. Under "Good of the Order" the beautiful flag salute was given, which testifies to their loyalty to "Old Glory." A good attendance of the members and the presence of a number of visitors added much to the interest and pleasure of the meeting.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, No. 8, Leadville. The largest Corps in the Department in numbers, and still keeps up its reputation as one of the most influential. The troubles in their midst during the past year has given them plenty to do in the way of relief work. I found them very enthusiastic, a good attendance being present, and the work well exemplified by an excellent Corps of officers. The books of the Secretary and Treasurer showed competent officers in those positions.

GENERAL SHIELDS, No. 10, New Castle. On account of a very disagreeable snow storm, only five members were present at

the meeting. The work was exemplified as well as could be done with so few present. The Secretary and Treasurer's books were found in good condition. The members were preparing for an entertainment to raise funds for relief work. A box of useful articles was sent to the Soldiers' Home during the year.

NORTH FORK, No. 11, Hotchkiss. After a stage ride of twenty-five miles. I was rewarded by having a very interesting meeting. I found a band of earnest women, who were eager for instructions in the ritualistic and business methods of the Order. Many travel a distance of twelve to fifteen miles to attend the meetings and are to be commended for their zeal. They have erected a hall and raised for their fund over \$300.00, by giving suppers and entertainments. I instructed them and gave them the best advice I could, and all seemed so much interested, that twilight overtook us. My only regret was that I did not have more time with them.

GUNNISON, No. 12, Gunnison. This Corps is in good working condition, having a splendid Corps of officers. They have few calls for relief work among the Veterans, but as has been their custom in the past, they have a special fund with which they assist city relief work. Unfortunately, they do not receive due credit through reports for such relief expended. They are preparing a box of useful articles to be sent to the Soldiers' Home in the near future.

U. S. GRANT, No. 15, Greeley. This Corps, as in the past, ranks among the best in the interest manifested in the objects of the Order, and the very creditable and dignified manner in which the work was performed. The books are well kept by competent officers in these positions. This Corps has erected a monument to the "Unknown Dead," which will be formally presented to their Post this coming Memorial Day, which speaks volumes for their patriotic devotion.

GRAND JUNCTION, No. 17, Grand Junction. The excellent condition and thoroughness of the work testifies to the prosperity of this far away Corps, located in the extreme western part of the State. The amount of relief work done proves their loyalty to the objects of the Order. The social relations are very pleasant.

WINFIELD SCOTT, No. 19, Aspen. Notwithstanding a severe snow storm and sickness among the members, which prevented many from coming out, yet a good attendance was present at the Inspection. With an excellent Corps of officers, the work was well exemplified, and from reports an advancement has been made in every respect over last year. The relief work done was excellent. The social relations are very pleasant and tend greatly to the good attendance at the meetings.

GEORGE H. THOMAS, No. 26, Ft. Collins. A good attendance was present at Inspection, a number coming a distance of several miles. They are ever ready with a relief fund to assist the needy, and a very creditable sum has been turned over to the post. Also a Christmas box was being prepared for the Soldiers' Home. Books well kept and social relations very pleasant.

NATHANIEL LYON, No. 27, Boulder. This Corps still retains its reputation as "one of the best" in the Department. With an excellent Corps of officers, the work was beautifully exemplified. The members are very much interested in the objects of the Order, as shown by the excellent relief work done and their willingness to assist in the library movement at the Soldiers' Home.

BATTLE MT., No. 29, Red Cliff. This little band of earnest workers have suffered quite a loss by their members moving away, thereby materially affecting the attendance. Notwithstanding their discouragement, the members are enthusiastic and interested in the objects of the Order and eager for instruction. I have great hopes for their future. By the death of Past President, Mrs. Goodrich, this Corps has sustained a great loss.

M'PHERSON, No. 32, Longmont. This Corps still retains its reputation in the proficiency of the work. Owing to the unavoidable absence of the President, the Senior Vice presided in a very creditable manner, having the entire ritual work memorized. The books were well kept, a splendid relief work done and a creditable sum turned over to the Post. Three members have been called to their long home during the past year, saddening the hearts of the members and casting a gloom over their meetings.

PIKES PEAK, No. 39, Manitou. This Corps was very unfortunate in the President, Secretary and several other officers being

absent at Inspection. The Senior Vice presided, several new members filling vacancies and all seemed enthusiastic and eager for instruction. Their interest was manifested by their presence at the Inspection of Colorado Springs Corps. They have few calls for relief in their city, but assist their neighbor No. 4, in caring for their needy.

M. M. CROCKER, No. 40, Denver. A very bad storm greatly interfered with the attendance at Inspection, those present proving their efficiency in the work. Books are well kept. A splendid relief work done and an increase in the membership unexcelled in the Department.

I was accompanied by Department Senior Vice President, Fannie D. Hardin and Alice T. Smith of Meade No. 6.

PHIL SHERMAN, No. 41, Buena Vista. This is one of the very weak Corps and I found them very much discouraged on account of the small attendance at the meetings occasioned mostly by the removal of some of their members. Only five were present at the meeting but the work was as well exemplified as could be done with so few. I hope for a revival of interest from the instruction and encouraging words given. A good relief work has been done. The President proved herself a very energetic and competent officer.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, No. 42, Denver. This Corps reports an increase of membership over last year. The work was exemplified in a creditable manner. The amount of relief expended testifies that they are willing to assist the Union Veterans and his dependent ones. Books well kept. Social relations very pleasant. Owing to a severe storm Assistant Inspector, Marion Sutton, was deprived from visiting Mulligan Corps No. 22, Springfield, therefore the President, Mary E. Robertson, made the following encouraging report:

MULLIGAN, No. 22, Springfield. "This Corps is in a prosperous condition, increasing in both interest and members. We do the work as well as we understand it but quite anxious to have a visit from an instructor. We own a hall and are holding entertainments to furnish it. Some relief work done."

MAJOR ANDERSON, No. 46, Harris. Disbanded in September, hence no report.

As was the case last year, Nathaniel Lyon No. 27, leads in the amount of cash expended for relief, \$163.28. Veteran No. 1 ranks first in relief other than money, \$353.01.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, No. 8, has the largest membership, 94.

My consolidated report to the National Inspector was submitted to the Department President for approval soon after the close of the year's work. I regret exceedingly to note the decrease in membership, mostly in the larger Corps, due, principally, to suspension.

Let there be an awakening up in the Corps that this annoyance may be obviated.

When appointed to the position of Department Inspector, I fully appreciated the honor conferred upon me by the Department President, and in assuming the same, I did so with the full determination to spare no effort to do the work to the best of my ability.

I little realized the magnitude and responsibility of the work before me; but I can conscientiously say that I have tried to keep before me the objects of our noble order, as well as our glorious motto "Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty." I have been most ably assisted by the Assistant Inspectors to whom great credit is due for their very thorough and efficient work. The work in this capacity cannot be too highly appreciated, for at best the duties are quite arduous, and very frequently, have many unpleasant features.

It was my pleasure to visit officially eighteen Corps, and in each and every instance, I was cordially received and highly entertained.

I fully realize the importance of having the most competent members who are thoroughly conversant with the rules and regulations and business methods of the Order, appointed Assistant Inspectors that they may impart instruction when necessary. An Inspector's visit to a Corps should be for work, work often urgently needed.

It is very embarrassing, sometimes to make criticisms or suggestions but I would like to impress upon the minds of my W. R. C.

sisters that if this is not the duty of the Inspector, better then that the office be abolished, the Department saved the expense and the Inspector her time and labor.

My attention was called to the prevailing fault of most of the Corps in observing the changes in the Ritual and Rules and Regulations as promulgated through General Orders ; therefore, I would recommend that Presidents be required to look up all decisions and amendments included in General Orders and explain the same when read in meetings.

It was my unexpected pleasure to accompany the Department President, Department Commander Dodge and Board of Commissioners on an official visit to the Soldiers' Home at Monte Vista. This noble institution is dear to the hearts of every loyal Relief Corps woman in this Department. I wish to thank those Corps who were so generous in responding to the library movement by their contributions, and I would recommend that this same worthy object be maintained the coming year.

We were quite unfortunate in not being able to secure rates from the different railroads as has been accorded in the past. Under the circumstances, the work was made as thorough and at the least expense possible.

In submitting my report, I wish to tender my sincere thanks to the Assistant Inspectors for their kind services rendered.

The uniform kindness, courteous treatment and generous hospitality extended to me by the members of many Woman's Relief Corps homes while on Inspecting tours is very gratefully recalled, with a separate page in memory's book for every household from which the kindness came.

To Past National Inspector, Mary L. Carr, and Past Department Inspector, Lucy Campbell my profound thanks are due for the many valuable suggestions and instructions given me.

My sincere thanks are extended to Department Commander, Dr. H. O. Dodge, for General Orders and courtesies received.

To you, Mrs. President, I wish to express my gratitude and appreciation of the kindness you have shown me. I thank you

for your friendly counsels, ready sympathy and encouraging words. It has been my aim and ambition to so perform the duties connected with my office, that my work might meet with your approval. The past year will live in my memory as one of the brightest visions of my life's journey.

Hoping that the future may bring to us greater and better opportunities to do good work for our loved Order.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department Inspector.

NAME OF CORPS.	No.	LOCATION.	No. of regular meetings in year.	No. of members in good standing.	Average attendance of officers.	Average attendance of members, including officers.	Is the number of rituals complete?	Have all reports and dues been forwarded to Headquarters.	Does Treas. notify all members in arrears?	Are all members suspended?	Are all members in arrears for two quarters.	Are all members in arrears for three quarters.	Does Treas. visit delinquent mem. and explain laws.	Amount charged yearly.	Amount of money in the Relief Fund.	
	1		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
Portugal.....	1	Donner	45	43	7	18	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	\$2.00	\$ 9.31	
Union.....	2	Pueblo	46	31	7	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	5.76	
Sedgewick.....	3	Durango	19	27	7	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	50.00	
Colorado Springs.....	4	Colorado Springs	24	67	8	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	45.99	
T. H. Dodd.....	5	Golden	24	44	8	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	30.23	
George G. Neude.....	6	Denver	83	83	8	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	65.39	
E. V. Sumner.....	7	Silver Cliff	25	10	6	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	10.40	
James A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville	52	84	8	26	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	29.71	
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Leadville	24	38	8	13	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	13.97	
General Shields.....	10	New Castle	32	25	8	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	11.45	
North Fork.....	11	Hotchkiss	23	35	8	25	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	6.20	
Gunnison.....	12	Gunnison	22	34	6	15	No	"	"	"	No	"	"	1.00	7.40	
Casper W. Collins.....	13	Rawlins	25	24	6	11	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.00	32.44	
Veran.....	14	Denver	44	71	7	34	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	39.83	
U. S. Grant.....	15	Greely	24	65	6	23	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	17.51	
Wadsworth.....	16	Rocky Ford	52	41	8	16	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	32.31	
Grand Junction.....	17	Grand Junction	42	49	8	10	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	83.75	
R. A. Cameron.....	18	Pt. Morgan	24	23	7	13	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	39.50	
Winfield Scott.....	19	Aspen	52	42	7	15	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	6.00	
Custer.....	20	Laramie	43	41	7	18	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	32.52	
Reno.....	21	Donner	43	45	7	19	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	12.35	
Mulligan.....	22	Springfield	32	30	6	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	20.73	
J. W. Anderson.....	23	Cripple Creek	24	34	6	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	7.38	
W. F. Sherman.....	24	Evans	24	14	6	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	17.05	
Pfaffner.....	25	Manitou	5	14	6	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	8.00	
George H. Thomas.....	26	Pt. Collins	34	37	9	12	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	12.43	
Nathaniel Lyon.....	27	Boulder	20	71	4	24	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	10.00	
Redcliffe.....	28	Telluride	71	20	4	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	25.23	
Butte Mountain.....	29	Steamboat	19	24	5	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	47.14	
Battle Mountain.....	30	Red Cliff	24	22	4	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	6.35	
Kit Carson.....	31	Lamar	22	20	4	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	15.25	
McPherson.....	32	Longmont	24	50	8	25	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00	
Kilpatrick.....	33	La Junta	24	14	4	7	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	8.00	
E. M. Stanton.....	34	Salida	33	5	5	30	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	12.43	
Fike's Peak.....	35	Manitou	16	33	7	8	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	8.00	
M. M. Crocker.....	36	Denver	4	58	7	24	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	10.00	
Phil Sheridan.....	37	Buena Vista	44	44	5	11	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	25.23	
George Washington.....	40	Denver	23	19	7	17	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	2.00	47.14	
Jac Hocker.....	42	Monte Vista	43	38	7	19	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	6.35	
Holyoke.....	43	Holyoke	12	10	4	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	15.25	
John C. Fremont.....	44	Littleton	19	19	6	9	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	1.00	1.00
Major Anderson.....	46	Harris	117	1469	6	9	No	Yes	"	Yes	Yes	Yes	"	"	92	
			Dis-	115	ed	Sept.	1896								\$761.43	

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NAME OF COMRS.	NO.	LOCATION.	Amount expended for relief from Sept. 1, 1895, to Sept. 1, 1896.	Estimated value of relief other than money.	Do books of Sec. and Treas. show they have been audited quarterly?	Is the Charter in hall at every regular meeting?	Are copies of Reg. Quar. Relief report sent to the Post?	Do the Post and Corps work in harmony?	Did Rep. make written report of proceedings of last Convention?	Money turn. over to Post Sept 1, '95 to Sept. 1, '96.	1	2	3	4	
Paragut.....	1	Denver.....	\$ 40 00	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	1	2	3	4
Upton.....	2	Pueblo.....	30 00			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	None	None	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Sedwick.....	3	Durango.....	25 50	30 00		"	"	"	No	\$1	None	"	"	"	"
Colorado Springs.....	4	Golden.....	63 15	241 60		"	"	"	Yes	None	None	"	"	No	No
T. H. Doud.....	5	Golden.....	18 25	65 00		"	"	"	No	20	None	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
George G. Monte.....	6	Denver.....	121 65	313 50		"	"	"	No	None	None	No	No	Yes	Yes
B. V. Sumner.....	7	Silver Cliff.....		60		No	"	No	Yes	"	"	Yes	No	"	"
James A. Garfield.....	8	Leadville.....	148 50	35 00		Yes	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	Yes	No	"	"
J. F. Reynolds.....	9	Cheyenne.....	13 55	51 75		No	"	"	No	"	"	No	No	"	"
General Shields.....	10	New Castle.....	11 55	28 53		Yes	"	"	No	5 00	"	Yes	No	"	No
North Fork.....	11	Hatcheries.....	10 00	1 25		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	Yes	"	"
Johnson.....	12	Gunnison.....	61 75	25 00		"	"	"	Yes	25 00	25 00	Yes	"	"	Yes
Casper W. Collins.....	13	Hawkins.....	11 00	98 70		"	"	"	"	None	None	No	"	"	"
Volcan.....	14	Denver.....	119 15	353 01		"	"	"	Yes	64 55	1 00	No	"	"	"
U. S. Grant.....	15	Grand Junction.....	61 15	20 00		"	"	"	No	None	None	Yes	"	"	"
Wadsworth.....	16	Rocky Ford.....	1 00	5 10		"	"	"	Yes	1 00	1 00	"	"	"	"
Grand Junction.....	17	Pt. Morgan.....	75 50	37 50		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
R. A. Cameron.....	18	Aspen.....	2 25	75		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Winfield Scott.....	19	Aspen.....	1 18	8 00		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Custer.....	20	Laramie.....	127 90	45 00		"	"	"	"	15 20	None	No	"	"	"
Hono.....	21	Denver.....	27 00	134 58		"	"	"	"	5 00	None	Yes	"	"	"
Mullan.....	22	Springfield.....	21 25	30 00		No	"	"	Yes	5 00	None	No	"	"	"
J. W. Anderson.....	23	Cripple Creek.....	22 10	None		No	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
W. F. Sherman.....	24	Alamosa.....	4 00	1 25		Yes	"	No	"	"	"	No	"	"	"
George H. Thomas.....	25	Pt. Collins.....	163 28	27 00		Yes	"	Yes	Yes	"	"	Yes	"	"	"
Steadman.....	26	Boulder.....	8 35	5 00		No	"	No	Yes	"	"	"	"	"	"
Battle Mountain.....	27	Tollhridge.....	5 00	None		Yes	"	Yes	Yes	35	"	Yes	"	"	"
Kitt Carson.....	28	Red Cliff.....	7 51	12 00		"	"	"	"	35 50	35 50	Yes	"	"	"
McPherson.....	29	Lamont.....	38 95	18 75		"	"	"	No	"	"	No	"	"	"
Kilpatrick.....	30	La Junta.....	12 00	5 00		No	"	No	Yes	None	None	No	"	"	"
E. M. Stanton.....	31	Akron.....	4 90	None		Yes	"	Yes	Yes	2 50	2 50	Yes	"	"	"
Pike's Peak.....	32	Salida.....	None	4 90		Yes	"	Yes	Yes	None	None	No	"	"	"
M. M. Crocker.....	33	Nantico.....	21 00	62 05		Yes	"	"	"	5	5	Yes	"	"	"
Phil Sheridan.....	34	Denver.....	61 15	56 25		"	"	"	Yes	7 50	7 50	Yes	"	"	"
George Washington.....	35	Monte Vista.....	30 40	20 00		"	"	"	"	None	None	"	"	"	"
Joe Hooker.....	36	Holyoke.....	3 50	None		No	"	No	No	14	6	"	"	"	"
John C. Fremont.....	37	Tipton.....	None	None		"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
Major Anderson.....	38	Harris.....	Dis-	bound-		ed	Sept.	1896	"	"	"	"	"	"	"
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A committee of the G. A. R. Circle was announced and presented to the Convention by the President. Mrs. Ward chairman, made a few remarks as follows:

TO THE THIRTEENTH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION OF THE W. R. C., DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING:

We bear greetings from the officers and members of the Ladies of the G. A. R. It is with sisterly love and profound respect that we, the representatives of the Ladies of the G. A. R. come to you the Women of the Relief Corps, with well wishes for the success of the grand and noble cause for which we both work. And as we all work lovingly and willingly, may we ever work in harmony for our boys in blue and their dear ones.

After being thanked and presented with badges by the President, the committee were escorted from the room.

Report of Department Counselor was then read and referred to a committee.

The report was as follows:

Report of Department Counselor.

Laramie, Wyoming, April 24, 1897

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM: According to Rules and Regulations I cheerfully submit my report as Counselor to the Department President.

As many questions asked by a Department President of her Counselor, need not, for various reasons, appear in printed form, I give only such as I think may be of assistance to Corps.

CASE: A Corps President resigned and the Corps elected a new President. Before the latter was installed she took the chair and initiated a candidate.

Q. 1. What is the standing of the new President? 2. Is the person who was initiated a member of the Corps? 3. Can a dispensation be granted the Corps permitting the work to stand?

Ans 1. The President-elect is not President until she is properly installed. The Senior Vice and Junior Vice Presidents hold their offices for the express purpose of taking the place of the President when vacancies occur.

2. The candidate is not a member of the Corps until she is properly initiated by one who has been installed and thereby given authority to initiate candidates.

The Red Book says: "The admission of members into the Woman's Relief Corps is a very important matter, and every detail in Rules and Regulations should be carried out with exactness.

3. There are no definite instructions to Department Presidents regarding the granting of dispensations, therefore I think dispensations should not be granted to cover up gross errors or violations of Ritual or Rules and Regulations. If Corps know that mistakes may be so easily set aside, irregularities will become more frequent and the work will be retarded.

Any conscientious officer who has solemnly promised to "faithfully obey all orders from proper authority" will be willing to rectify any mistakes she may make.

It is unjust to those Corps whose members study our laws and who bend every effort to do the work well, to allow and cover up carelessness in Corps where Rules and Regulations are repeatedly disregarded.

QUESTIONS REFERRED.

May a Corps change the time and place of meeting to take effect at the next meeting of the Corps?

Ans. All Corps should have by-laws regulating the time and place of meeting and providing for any change in said by-laws.

The latter is usually a requirement to give notice that an amendment will be offered at the next regular meeting. In this way members have an opportunity of voting for or against any proposed change.

I desire to thank the Department President for the honor conferred in my appointment as Counselor.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

ANNA B. HOLLIDAY,

Department Counselor.

Moved by Alice Seeds, of Cripple Creek, seconded by Rosetta Webb, of Longmont, that we suspend the regular order of business and proceed with election of officers at once.

An amendment by Mrs. Fair, to defer the election of officers until after lunch, being lost, the original motion was put and carried.

The President appointed Mrs. Hartzel, Mrs. Barney and Mrs. Miller to act as tellers.

Nomination being now in order the following names were presented for Department President.

Mrs. Hardin, of Denver, nominated by Mrs. Dodge, of Boulder, seconded by Mrs. Smith, of Denver, Mrs. Sanford, of Pueblo, and Mrs. Aldrich, of Monte Vista.

Mrs. Seeds, of Cripple Creek, nominated by Mrs. Ormsby, of Colorado Springs, but declined the nomination. Mrs. Johnson, of Aspen, nominated by Mrs. Bacon, of Aspen, seconded by Mrs. Williams, of Aspen and Mrs. Duncan of Salida. Mrs. Ella L. C. Dwinell nominated by Mrs. Holliday, of Laramie, but declined the nomination.

The President declared the nomination closed, and the ballots were distributed to the delegates.

The tellers retired to count the ballots. Owing to the illness of Mrs. Young, the Delegate-at-Large, her report was read by Mrs. Holliday, of Laramie and referred to committee.

Report of Delegate-at-Large.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

MADAM: It is not in my power to paint the trip to the St. Paul Encampment in beautiful words, the description of a journey is no longer very interesting.

In traveling as in many other things comfort and speed have been attained at a sacrifice of the picturesque, and we pass swiftly toward our destination. We all know that a special Grand Army Headquarter train is sure to be a sociable one. There are some differences between it and an ordinary train. Even the ladies do not retain their seats, but there is a good deal of visiting around between the cars and pleasant acquaintances are made and continued.

The Fourteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps, auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, met at the Central Presbyterian Church, St. Paul, Minn., Thursday, Sept. 3, 1896 at 10 A. M., National President Lizaberb A. Turner in the chair.

The gavel used in calling the Convention to order was presented to the National President, Mrs. Turner, by Comrade A. M. Tyler of Post No 10, G. A. R., Worcester, Mass

The wood was from the battlefield of Chicamauga, and the head was in the shape of an Hour-glass which Mrs. Turner remarked she presumed was to remind us to attend strictly to business and not waste our time.

The proceedings of this Convention have long ere this reached most of the members here. I will not describe them in detail for they would be as ancient history to you, yet there are a few things that attracted my special attention, for instance, in the National Inspector's report we find that the Department of Colorado and Wyoming stand only second in the amount of money per member given for relief. California and Nevada Department being first

I might just state here that on our return trip from St. Paul

Mr. Young introduced me to a Comrade from Chicago and during our conversation he asked how it came that the Western Departments were ahead of the East with regard to the amount of money per member given for relief. The Comrade attributed it to the fact that there were more channels through which the needy received relief in the East than the West.

I simply answered by saying that the people of the West were not so afraid of spending a dollar as the people of the East are.

In the National Chaplain's report I noticed that the Department of Illinois was the only Department that reported more children assisting in Memorial day services than our own Department, and many other things I might mention but time forbids. I felt proud to know that I was a member of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming. Those who have had the pleasure of attending the National gatherings need not be told of the wealth of flags, decorations of the grand receptions, the delightful excursions and the parades, where column after column of the old Veterans recall the march of other days, witnessed by thousands on thousands from the streets, buildings and reviewing stands. One thought as they filed by, hour after hour, what must the line have been before the final roll call had found so many missing—missing that we may have an undivided country, a flag without one star obliterated.

And now in closing allow me to say that I greatly enjoyed the privilege of being a delegate to the Fourteenth National Convention and would thank the ladies who elected me a delegate. My shortcomings have been through no intention on my part, and my great regret is that I am not able to be present at this Convention and give this report myself.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

LYDIA C. YOUNG.

Acting as Delegate-at-Large.

Report of Committee on Soldiers' Home.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C.

As a committee appointed by the President to expend money donated by the various Corps of the Department, I submit the following:

Cash received from the Corps,	\$51 00	
" " " donation,	1 00	
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		\$52 00
January 12, '97,—Cash paid out,	\$15 00	
" 4, " " " "	3 00	
" 19, " " " "	5 00	
March 5, " " " "	10 00	
April 22, " " " "	9 00	\$52 00

The subjoined report of Commander French will give detailed statement as to donations other than money.

Very Respectfully,

EFFIE V. B. ALDRICH, Committee.

COLORADO SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME.

Monte Vista, Colo., May 8th. 1897.

Mrs. Effie V. B. Aldrich, Monte Vista, Colo.,

MADAM: In answer to your request I have the honor to hand you herewith a list of donations (other than cash) sent to the Home by the different Relief Corps of the State since April 23rd, 1896:

September 30th, 1896, Alamosa W. R. C., 21 volumes books, 21 volumes magazines,

September 24th, Grand Junction W. R. C., 6 boxes peaches.

October 28th, James W. Anderson W. R. C., one year's subscription to Century Magazine.

November 30th, Joe Hooker W. R. C., one year's subscription to Review of Reviews.

November 30th, George Washington W. R. C., one year's subscription to Cosmopolitan.

November 30th, U. S. Grant W. R. C., one year's subscription to Harpers' Magazine.

November 30th, M. M. Crocker W. R. C., one year's subscription to Frank Leslie's Weekly.

November 30th, Grand Junction W. R. C., one year's subscription to Self Culture.

November 26th, Pike's Peak W. R. C., one barrel containing books, magazines and bandages. One box containing one large turkey, two cans tomatoes, two cans peaches, two cans corn, one can pears, one package corn starch, one package Pettijohn's Best, six packages smoking tobacco, seven jars jams and jellies and two dozen apples.

December 23rd, U. S. Grant W. R. C., eight chair cushions.

December 23rd, Upton W. R. C., 12 chair cushions.

December 23rd, Meade W. R. C., one box books.

January 5th, 1897. Joe Hooker W. R. C., 12 chair cushions and head rest.

January 15th, W. T. Sherman W. R. C., one year's subscription to Christian Herald.

February 12th, Alamosa W. R. C., one year's subscription to Frank Leslie's Magazine.

February 12th, George Washington W. R. C., one year's subscription to the Advance.

February 12th, R. A. Cameron, one year's subscription to Munsey's Magazine.

April 3rd, Cripple Creek W. R. C., 10 chair cushions

April 3rd, Gunnison W. R. C., eight rugs and one counterpane.

We are receiving two copies Cosmopolitan and two copies McClures but have been unable to ascertain from what source these extra copies come from. We have also received donations from the different circles of the G. A. R. and of the Ladies' Aid Societies, but as you only call for donations from the W. R. C., I have not included them in this list.

Yours in F. C. and L.,

S. W. FRENCH, Commander.

Committees.

President's Address :—

Laura S. Dodge,
Ida Critchel,
Susie Searle,

Boulder
Denver
Leadville

Senior Vice President's Report :—

Clara Rapp,
Charlotte R. Coe,
Stella A. Kyle,

Denver
Greeley
Cripple Creek

Junior Vice President's Report :—

Lucy M. Campbell,
Hannah R. Johnson,
Sarah J. Miller,

Denver
Denver
Laramie

Secretary's Report :—

Bessie W. French.
Annie S. Burr,

Pueblo
Rocky Ford

Chaplain's Report :—

Eva Evans,	Salida
Anna B. Holliday,	Laramie

Treasurer's Report :—

M. E. Hamilton,	Denver
H. E. Rundle,	Grand Junction
Sadie M. Fisher,	Wyoming

Inspector's Report :—

Mary L. Carr,	Longmont
Esther Randolph,	Greeley
Alice T. Smith,	Denver

Counselor's Report :—

Janette L. Todd,	Denver
Clara L. Whitney,	Boulder
Emma D. Adams,	Boulder

Instituting and Installling Officer's Report :—

Alice L. Barney,	Manitou
Irene DeToliver,	Colorado Springs

Deport of Delegate-at-Large :—

Rosetta R. Webb,	Longmont
Alice L. Barney,	Mabitou

Report of Committee on Relief :—

Irene DeToliver,	Colorado Springs
Alice Johnson	Denver
Marion Hall.	Colorado Springs

Report of Committee on Soldiers' Home :—

Effie V. B. Aldrich,	Monte Vista
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Committee on Resolutions :—

Mary Jewett Telford,	Grand Junction
Mary L. Carr,	Longmont
Clemantine S. Hawes,	Greeley

Committee on Courtesies :—

Camilla S. Fair,	Leadville
Olive Butler,	Aspen
Mary E. Campbell,	Denver

Committee on Press :—

Josephine A. Cheeseman,	Greeley
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Committee on Patriotic Teaching. :—

E. V. B. Aldrich,	Monte Vista
Loretta E. Mummah,	Cripple Creek
Debora Moser,	Denver

A committee of five Sons of Veterans was escorted to the platform and introduced to the Convention, which rose at tap of gavel and saluted them. After a few remarks by Mr. Hodley, of Denver, in which he expressed himself in sympathy with the W. R. C. and all its good work, Col. Patton spoke as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND LADIES OF THE W. R. C.

Mr. Hodley has been appointed chairman of the committee to greet the ladies, but he has been playing tricks on me all the morning. I have been forcibly abducted to come here, and now the chairman is putting the whole of the burden on my shoulders. But I do not care as I succeeded in shifting a burden on some one else's shoulder. I have been congratulated all the morning on my beautiful effort last night and tried to look pleased and to express my thanks. Brother Thomas may be heard from officially later on. The Sons of Veterans are stronger than a year ago and you are going to see the tree bear good fruit. We with you, are assuming a great duty, are working for a purpose to save our country if need be. My family gave up eight for my country and flag. In those days men were tried as never before. When the time comes, we will enter into the conflict with the same spirit. The boys who were in infancy then, are men now, and if need be are ready to give up their lives for their country as my father gave up his. Our object and aims are one. I hope you may be guided by only the best impulses and the future be as bright as you anticipate.

The president presented each with a badge and told them we looked to them to preserve the country and the flag that their fathers handed down to them. They were escorted from the room

The tellers reported they were ready to announce the result of ballot for Department President.

Whole number of votes cast, 117; necessary for choice, 59, Mrs. Hardin received 81; Mrs. Johnson, 27; scattering, 9. Mrs. Johnson desired the election of Mrs. Hardin made unanimous, which was done. The President introduced the President-elect to the convention. Mrs. Hardin thanked the ladies for the honor conferred upon her.

Mrs. Hartzell, of Denver, and Mrs. Evans, of Salida, were appointed a committee to carry greetings to the Ladies' Aid; Mrs. Todd, of Denver, and Mrs. Carpenter, of Golden, a committee to carry greetings to the G. A. R. Ladies.

On motion of Mrs. Dodge of Boulder, recorded by Mrs. Beethman, of Greeley, the Convention adjourned till 2 p. m. for lunch.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

Convention called to order at 2 p. m. by Department President. The conductors instructed to take up pass-word. Minutes of morning session read and approved. Roll call and 113 delegates responded.

Mrs. Hartzell reported that the committee to the Ladies' Aid and Sons of Veterans were too late, as their sessions had closed.

Nominations for Senior Vice President being now in order. Mrs. Telford, of Grand Junction, nominated Mrs. Ackerman, of Grand Junction, seconded by several. Mrs. Ormsby, of Colorado Springs, nominated Mrs. Seeds, of Cripple Creek, seconded by Mrs. Hardin and many others. Nominations closed and ballot distributed. Tellers retired to count the vote.

Committee on report of Senior Vice President presented their report which was accepted on motion of Mrs. Lucy Campbell, of Denver, seconded by Lue Foust, of Denver. The report was as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND LADIES OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION W. R. C.

We, the members of the committee, have carefully read the report of Senior Vice President, and recognize her services and

devotion in behalf of our comrades and the Woman's Relief Corps. We think she deserves the thanks of the Convention for her work in adding to our number Richardson Corps No. 33 without any cost whatever to the Department and for her work in the legislature to remove the Home to a more desirable locality, also her personal efforts in adding members to her own corps and we would recommend that each member of the W. R. C. follows her example in this direction.

CLARA RAPP,
CHARLOTTE R. COE.
STELLA A. KYLE.

Committee.

The letters announced the result of ballot for Senior Vice President. 110 votes cast, necessary to choice 56 Mrs. Seeds received 64, Mrs Ackerman, 46. The President declared the election of Mrs. Seeds, who thanked the Convention in a few choice remarks

Committee on Report of Inspector presented their report, which was accepted on motion of Mrs. Baron, of Aspen, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford, of Rawlins. The report was as follows:

TO THE OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:—

Your committee on Department Inspector's report have carefully examined the same, and find it complete in all its details. The important duties of the office have been faithfully performed, and her suggestions meet with our approval.

Respectfully submitted.

MARY L. CARR, Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Lucy M. Campbell, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, of Pueblo, and many others, that Ella B. Ackerman, of Grand Junction, be nominated for Junior Vice President, and her election be by unanimous consent. Carried.

On motion by Mrs. Hardin, the Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of the Convention for Ella B. Ackerman for Department Junior Vice President and she was declared elected by the President.

Nominations for Department Treasurer being now in order, it was moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Sanford and others that the Secretary cast the vote of the Convention for Mrs. Clara Rapp, of Denver. Carried, and the President declared her elected Treasurer. In thanking the Convention Mrs. Rapp said that she especially appreciated the honor of being elected to so important an office since it came on her birthday.

For Department Chaplain, Mrs. Adelia McCauley, of Denver, and Mrs. Emma D. Adams, of Boulder, were nominated. Nominations closed and tellers retired.

Report of Committee on Junior Vice President's report was then read as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:

We, the members of your committee, having examined the report of the Junior Vice President and found it most complete and concise, do recommend its adoption by the Convention.

LUCY M. CAMPBELL,
HANNAH R. JOHNSON,
SARAH J. MILLER.

Committee.

On motion of Mrs. Todd, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Anna Burr, of Rocky Ford, the report was adopted.

Report of Committee on Department President's address read as follows:

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH ANNUAL CONVENTION:

The committee appointed to consider the report of the Department President have carefully examined the same and wish to express their most hearty appreciation of the manner in which she has conducted the work of her office during the year. Recommendation No. 1 is approved by the committee. Recommendation No. 2 is approved by the committee. Recommendation No. 3, we divided into two parts. Part 1 is approved by the Committee and

part 2 is covered by previous decision. Recommendation No. 4 is approved.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

LAURA S. DODGE,
IDA CRITCHEL,
SUSIE J. SEARL.

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Johnson, of Aspen, that the President's recommendations be taken in order. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Holliday the recommendations be acted upon separately. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Holliday, seconded by Mrs. McCauley that recommendation No. 1 be referred back to committee on President's report. Carried.

The tellers announced result of ballot for Chaplain. Votes cast, 108; necessary to choice, 55. Mrs. McCauley received 60, Mrs. Adams, 46; blanks, 2. Mrs. McCauley declared elected.

Mrs. Rapp, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Sahrbeck, of Manitou, as Chairman of Executive Board. Mrs. Sahrbeck declined to act as the Chairman should reside in the same town with the President.

Mrs. Carr explained it was a law in our Department that two of the executive board should live where Department headquarters are.

Mrs. Lucy Campbell, of Denver, and Ida Critchel, of Denver, were nominated for Chairman. Nominations closed and tellers retired.

Moved by Mrs. Telford, of Grand Junction, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, of Denver, that through Mrs. Harlan a vote of thanks and appreciation be tendered the Art and Literature clubs of Denver for their sacred observance of Memorial Day. Carried.

Report of Committee on recommendations in President's report.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Newman, recommendation No. 1 be adopted as amended. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Coe, of Golden, seconded by Mrs. Brisack, of Pueblo, and Mrs. Burr, of Rocky Ford, that Recommendation No. 2 be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hamilton, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Cowell, of Denver, that first part of Recommendation No. 3 be adopted. Carried.

Tellers announced result of ballot for Chairman of Executive Board. 93 votes cast. Mrs. Campbell receiving 60; Mrs. Critchel, 26; blanks, 7. Mrs. Campbell was declared elected.

Moved by Mrs. Holliday, seconded by many that Mrs. Critchel be nominated as second member and elected by unanimous consent. Carried.

The Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Critchel was declared elected second member of the board.

Mrs. Rapp, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Sahrbeck, of Manitou, as third member of the board, seconded by Mrs. Riggs, of Colorado Springs, and others.

Moved by Mrs. Hamilton, seconded by Mrs. Richie, that the election be unanimous. Carried. The Secretary cast the vote and Mrs. Sahrbeck was declared elected third member.

Mrs. Campbell, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Dora Horton, of Littleton as fourth member of the board, seconded by several.

Mrs. Kingsford, of Rawlins, nominated Mrs. Campbell, of Buena Vista, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, of Pueblo. The tellers retired with the ballot.

Moved by Mrs. Telford, seconded by Mrs. Hartzell, that no supplementary reports of Treasury be allowed. Carried.

The tellers announced the result of ballot on fourth member of the Executive Board. There were 90 votes cast, necessary to choice, 46. The vote being a tie, Mrs. Campbell, of Buena Vista, desired that Mrs. Horton, being absent, be declared fourth member.

Moved by Mrs. Eldredge, seconded by several, that Mrs. Campbell, of Buena Vista, be elected unanimously for fifth mem-

ber of the board. Carried. The Secretary cast the vote and Mrs. Campbell was declared elected.

Moved by Mrs. Campbell, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Sanford, of Pueblo, that President's Recommendation No. 4 be endorsed and adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Rose, of Denver, that the report of committee on President's address be accepted and adopted as a whole. Carried.

Report of Committee on Department Secretary's report read as follows:

TO THE PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:

We, the committee on Department Secretary's report, have carefully examined the same and find it complete, concise, correct and carefully executed, and would cheerfully recommend its adoption.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

BESSIE W. FRENCH,

ANNIE S. BURR,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Eldredge, of Golden, seconded by Mrs. Donaldson, of Pueblo, the report be adopted. Carried.

Report of Committee on Treasurer's report as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION:

Your committee appointed on Treasurer's report have examined the same and find it clear, concise and well consolidated and approve both recommendations.

M. E. HAMILTON,

H. E. RUNDLE.

SADIE M. FISHER,

Committee.

RECOMMENDATION No. 1—Recommendation.—That the Post De-

partment President send the journals directly to those entitled to them, thus saving double freight on same.

Recommendation No. 2 That the Department Secretary and Treasurer properly fill out reports, blanks of secretary, treasurer and relief committee and send to the Corps with the first blanks sent out after their installation.

Moved by Mrs. Babbitt, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Rose, of Denver, the report be adopted. Carried.

Report of Committee on Chaplain's report as follows:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:

The committee for Chaplain's report find it correct, and congratulate Mrs. Bacon on the excellence of her work.

EVA EVANS,
ANNA B. HOLLIDAY.

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Hartzell, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Eldridge, of Golden, the report be adopted. Carried.

Nominations for Delegate at Large were as follows:

Mrs. DeToliver, of Colorado Springs, nominated Mrs. French of Pueblo, seconded by Marion Hall, of Colorado Springs and the Pueblo delegation.

Mrs. Fair, of Leadville, nominated Mrs. Searle, of Leadville seconded by Etta Brodie, of Leadville.

Mrs. Waldo, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Hawes, of Greeley, seconded by several. The ballots were collected and tellers retired to count.

Report of Committee on Resolutions read as follows:

RESOLVED: That our loving interest centers in the Sons of Veterans and their Auxiliary helpers, also the Daughters of Veterans, as those who soon must bear a large portion of the burdens now borne by the several societies. We call down God's blessing upon them.

2. RESOLVED: That a committee of three be named to compile and edit decisions of Department Conventions known as by-laws, to report to the next annual Convention.

3. RESOLVED: That a committee for "Good of the Order" be appointed to suggest a line of work that shall be both Educational and Patriotic, and shall also include a study of Parliamentary usages. This to be a Department committee.

4. RESOLVED: That the election of officers shall hereafter take place on the morning of the second day of the Convention

5. RESOLVED: That the action of the 8th Department Convention making the holding of two meetings a month obligatory upon Corps be rescinded.

The Department of Colorado and Wyoming has been organized thirteen years, and for ten years the salary of our Department Secretary and Treasurer has remained the same, notwithstanding the increase in membership and a corresponding increase of work. Therefore,

6. RESOLVED: That twenty-five dollars be added to the salary of the Secretary and Treasurer.

7. RESOLVED: That the earnest thanks of this Convention be given the Joe Hooker Post Corps at Monte Vista for the unceasing, loving interest they have given, and do give, those wards of the State, the decrepit inmates of the Colorado Soldiers' Home. Their thoughtfulness toward these worn veterans and, indeed, that of the citizens of Monte Vista generally, command our hearty and grateful appreciation.

8. RESOLVED: That the irreverence of the general public in many places concerning our Memorial day be met and corrected just as far as lies in our power—by our wise personal influence and example, (since the individual touch of 1400 women should give a holy impulse in the Department) and by the use of the local press everywhere as to that sacred day—that all who read may know its patriotic purposes.

MARY JEWETT TELFORD,
MARY L. CARR,
CLEMENTINE S. HAWES,
Committee on Resolutions.

Report of I. and I. Officer read and referred to committee.

Report of I. and I. Officer.

Denver, Colo., April 21, 1897.

Consolidated Report of I. and I. Officer, Department of Colorado and Wyoming, W. R. C.:

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary.

MADAM: I respectfully submit my report as Department I. and I. Officer with consolidated reports from Assistant Instituting and Installing Officers for the years of 1896 and 1897.

FARRAGUT No. 1, Denver, Colorado: Installed officer. January 2, Catherine Kennedy, Installing officer, joint installation with Post.

SEDERWICK No. 3, Durango, Colorado: January 16, 1897. Helen Tiffany, Installing officer.

COLORADO SPRINGS No. 4, Colorado Springs, Colorado: January 5, Marion Sutton, Installing officer, joint installation with Post; pleasant time.

T. H. DODD No. 5, Golden, Colorado: January 9, Carrie M. Carpenter, Installing officer, joint installation with Post.

GEO. G. MEADE No. 6, Denver, Colorado: January 8, 1897, Fannie D. Hardin, Installing officer, joint installation with Post; fine program.

JAMES A. GARFIELD No. 8, Leadville, Colorado: January 7, Susie J. Searl, Installing officer.

J. F. REYNOLDS No. 9, Cheyenne, Wyoming: January 8, 1897, Theresa A. Jenkins, Installing officer.

GENERAL SHIELDS No. 10, New Castle, Colorado: January 9, Ellen Hahn, Installing officer, joint installation with Post.

NORTH FORK No. 11, Hotchkiss, Colorado: January 9, 1897, Mrs. Mary Pauline Sheeks, Installing officer.

CASPER W. COLLINS No. 13, Rawlins, Wyoming: January 7, Mrs. Minnie E. Kingsford, Installing officer.

VETERAN No. 14, Denver, Colorado: January 2, 1897, Edith M. Newland, Installing officer, joint installation with Post.

U. S. GRANT No. 15, Greeley, Colorado: January 7, 1897, Mrs. Clementine S. Hawes, Installing officer. Private.

WADSWORTH No. 16, Rocky Ford, Colorado: January 8, 1897, C. W. Fenlason, Installing officer.

GRAND JUNCTION No. 17, Grand Junction, Colorado: January 9, Adelia Dittman, Installing officer, joint installation with Post and Sons of Veterans: a general good time.

R. A. CAMERON No. 18, Fort Morgan, Colorado: January 4, J. T. Johnson, Installing officer.

WINFIELD SCOTT No. 19, Aspen, Colorado: January 2, Olive Bacon, Installing officer. Public and joint installation with Post; a social time enjoyed by all.

CUSTER No. 20, Laramie, Wyoming: January 11, 1897, Minnie E. Ringsford, Installing officer, joint installation with Post: refreshments and a nice time.

RENO No. 21, Denver, Colorado: January 6, 1897, Sarah E. Waldo, Installing officer. Public installation, joint with Post; pleasant time, work of Corps well done, report of retiring President, Mrs. Lucy M. Capron, fine, showing good work. President, Ida Critchel.

JAMES W. ANDERSON No. 23, Cripple Creek, Colorado: January 1, public and joint installation with the Post; gave a supper and made quite a sum, interesting program and fine time. Alice M. Seeds, Installing officer.

W. T. SHERMAN No. 24, Evans, Colorado: January 5, 1897, Installation private, Lydia C. Young, Installing officer.

NATHANIEL LYONS No. 27, Boulder, Colorado: January 5, joint installation with Post; refreshments were served, a pleasant time. Kate O'Brien, Installing officer. President, Clara L. Whitney.

STEADMAN No. 28, Telluride, Colorado: February 2, 1897, P. P. Stinnadudel, Installing officer.

BATTLE MOUNTAIN No. 29, Red Cliff, Colorado: January 1, 1897, H. H. Goodrich, Installing officer.

JIM BOWIE No. 30, Creede, Colorado: Was Instituted February 25, 1897, with 18 charter members. Effie V. B. Aldrich, Instituting and Installing officer.

RICHARDSON No. 33, Las Animas, Colorado: Organized April 2, 1897, 31 charter members. Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin, Instituting and Installing officer.

KILPATRICK No. 34, La Junta, Colorado: January 15, 1897 Mrs. M. Lane, Installing officer.

AKRON No. 36, Akron, Colorado: February 19, 1897, J. C. Stephens, Installing officer.

EDWIN M. STANTON No. 37, Salida, Colorado: January 14, 1897, M. D. L. Bowell, Installing officer,

PIKE'S PEAK No. 39, Manitou, Colorado: January 2, 1897, Installation private, Alice Barney, Installing officer. Spent the evening with the Grand Army, refreshments and a fine time.

M. M. CROCKER No. 40, Denver, Colorado: January 7, '97 public installation with Post, program good, Lucy M. Campbell, Installing officer.

JOHN C. FRMONT No. 45, Littleton, Colorado: January 6 public installation with Post, supper served and a delightful time. Lucy M. Campbell, Installing officer.

PHIL SHERIDAN No. 41, Buena Vista, Colorado: January 8, private installation, J. W. Logan, Installing officer.

GEORGE WASHINGTON No. 42, Denver, Colorado: January 7, joint installation with Post, Adelia Macauley, Installing officer.

JOE HOOKER No. 43, Monte Vista, Colorado: January 5, 1897, L. H. Cheney, Installing officer.

HOLYOKE No. 44, Holyoke. Colorado: January 23, 1897, W. D. Relsey, Installing officer.

In conclusion, I will say my work has been pleasant and I extend many thanks to the Department Officers for their kindness and forbearance and especially to the Department Secretary, who has so kindly forwarded all stray reports.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

SARAH E. WALDO,

Department I. and I, Officer.

The report of the Chief Aide, Mrs. Lettie Capell, was then read :

Report of Chief Aide.

MARION SUTTON, Department Secretary :

MADAM : When I was appointed Chief Aide the 24th day of April, 1896, I felt it quite an honor to be on the Department President's staff, and I have tried at all times to be of what assistance I could to her. I have written to all the Aides of the different Corps in the Department, and received replies to the following, telling me of the standing and success of their Corps :

W. T. Sherman Corps No. 24 reports a membership of 13 with no delinquents, and doing a good work.

E. V. Sumner No. 7 reports only 10 members, and only 4 who take any interest. They seem very much discouraged.

McPherson No. 32 reports 48 members in good standing, and no delinquents, and always ready to help in the good cause.

U. S. Grant No. 15 reports 61 members in good standing, with two delinquents, and two dropped during the year, and twelve lost by honorable discharge. The officers have done much to make the Corps pleasant and entertaining and the Corps has done a good relief work.

The R. A. Cameron No. 18 reports 32 all in good standing and doing a good work.

Akron No. 36 reports 8 members in good standing and, though few in numbers they do their share of relief work.

Colorado Springs No. 4 reports 65 members in good standing, with four delinquents and three dropped. The amount of relief work in the past year has been great, and the Corps in excellent working order.

Pfeiffer No. 25 reports 16 members in good standing, with no delinquent ones, and all taking a great interest in the work.

John C. Fremont No. 45 reports 20 members with no delinquents, and all alive to the good work.

Gunnison No. 12 reports 32 members with no delinquents and the Corps in good condition and all ready and willing to work for the good cause.

Grand Junction No. 17 reports 45 members in good standing with three delinquents.

Pike's Peak No. 39 reports 32 in good standing, and everything pleasant.

J. W. Anderson No. 23 reports 32 members in good standing with three delinquents, and a wide-awake band of ladies who have the good work at heart, with a great deal of relief work to do.

Upton No. 2 reports 29 in good standing with five delinquent, and every thing working well.

James A. Garfield No. 8 reports 91 in good standing with six delinquent and a pleasant and harmonious Corps.

Wadsworth No. 16 reports 28 members with only one delinquent and, though they are a young Corps, they are very earnest in the good work.

Nat Lyon No. 27 have a membership of 85 in good standing with five delinquent and everything in good condition.

E. M. Stanton No. 37 reports 30 members in good standing and five delinquent, and though they find much to discourage them, they are going to "Hold the Fort."

Battle Mountain No. 29 have 21 members in good standing and no delinquents.

Casper W. Collins No. 13 reports 24 members in good standing with one delinquent.

George Washington No. 42 reports 26 in good standing and three delinquent and the Corps in a flourishing condition.

Kilpatrick No. 34 reports 20 members in good standing and six delinquent, and the Corps gaining in interest all the time.

T. H. Dodd No. 5 reports 45 members in good standing with three delinquent, a good attendance and great interest in the work.

Phil Sheridan No. 41 reports 17 members in good standing and doing a good work.

Veteran No. 14 reports 78 members with only one delinquent; and socially and financially, they are very prosperous.

Mulligan No. 22 reports 30 members in good standing with no delinquents, and in a prosperous condition.

Custer No. 20 reports a membership of 44; only one delinquent; Corps in good condition.

Reno No. 21 reports 49 in good standing; one delinquent, and every thing prospering.

J. F. Reynolds No. 9 reports 29 members and no delinquents, and a great interest shown in the good work.

I wish to express my thanks to the Aides of the Corps who so kindly and promptly responded to my call, and also to you, Mrs. President, who have been so kind and always willing to aid me in any way, I respectfully submit this report in F. C. and L.

LETTIE CAPELL,

Chief Aide.

Moved by Mrs. Holliday, of Laramie, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, of Denver, that the resolutions be acted upon separately. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, of Cripple Creek, seconded by Mrs. Mason, of Pueblo, that Resolution No. 1 be adopted. Carried,

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Searle, of Leadville and others, that Resolution No. 2 be adopted as amended. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Holliday, seconded by Mrs. Welsh, of Greeley that Resolution No. 3 be adopted. Carried.

Moved By Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Critchel, that Resolution No. 4 be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Carr that hereafter the election of officers take place on the afternoon of the second day.

Upon motion of Mrs. Holliday an amendment was offered that the word afternoon be stricken out and morning of the second day be substituted therefor. The amendment was seconded by Mrs. Critchel, of Denver, and, being put to a vote, carried. Motion as amended carried.

Tellers announced that 77 votes for Delegate-at-Large were cast, necessary to choice, 39. Mrs. French received 34; Mrs. Hawes, 24; Mrs. Searle, 19. No election. Second ballot taken.

Committee on Courtesies read their report and announced greetings from Mrs. Emma Wallace, Past National President and Mrs. Agnes Hitt, National President. The committee instructed to send greetings to all Past Department Presidents.

Report of Committee on Courtesies:

Colorado Springs, Colo., May 13, 1897.

TO DEPARTMENT CONVENTION ASSEMBLED.

We, your committee on Courtesies, would report as follows:

We have received a telegram from Past National President, Emma R. Wallace, as follows:

ELLA L. C. DWINELL, DEPARTMENT PRESIDENT, W. R. C.:

Remember me to my co-workers in Colorado. May great success be yours.

EMMA R. WALLACE,

Past National President.

And answered the same as given below.

EMMA R. WALLACE, PAST NATIONAL PRESIDENT:

Greetings received:—To you and your good work, we say.
“Well done;” you are not forgotten.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,
OLIVE BUTLER,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

The following telegrams have also been sent:

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

AGNES HITT, NATIONAL PRESIDENT, W. R. C.:

From the shadow of Pike's Peak in Convention assembled.
The Department of Colorado and Wyoming W. R. C. sends greetings.

Yours in F. C. and L.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,
OLIVE BUTLER,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

AUGUSTA B. HENDERSON, Omaha, Neb.,
Past Department President W. R. C.,

Department Convention of Colorado and Wyoming send greetings:

CAMILLA S. FAIR,
OLIVE BUTLER,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,
Committee.

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

CLIMENA G. HOWARD, Greeley,

Past Department President, W. R. C.:

Department Convention send greetings and love.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,

OLIVE BUTLER,

MARY E. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

AMERICA ANDERSON, Past Department President, W. R. C.:

Convention send greetings and regret your absence.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,

OLIVE BUTLER,

MARY E. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

KATHERINE C. KENNEDY, Past Department President, W. R. C.:

Convention sends greeting, missing your loving council and wishing you a speedy recovery.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,

OLIVE BUTLER,

MARY E. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

The Thirteenth Department Convention Woman's Relief Corps of Colorado and Wyoming, will ever be memorable in the history of Department of Colorado and Wyoming because of the generous hospitality extended by the good people of Colorado Springs, and also because of the exceptional courtesies and kindnesses bestowed by the Comrades of the G. A. R. and members of the W. R. C.

From the time of our entrance into this beautiful city, our sojourn has been one pleasure, coupled with the delight that we

have been permitted to view the grandeur of nature and enjoy the hospitality of the citizens of Colorado Springs, and to them we extend our heartfelt thanks.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

CAMILLA S. FAIR,
OLIVE BUTLER,
MARY E. CAMPBELL,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Newman, of Denver, that report of committee on Courtesies be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Todd, seconded by Mrs. Welsh, of Greeley, that Resolution No. 5 be adopted. Carried.

The tellers announced result of second ballot on Delegate-at-Large. Votes cast, 80. Mrs. French, 33; Mrs. Hawes, 35; Mrs. Searle, 13. No election. Mrs. Searle's name dropped and a third ballot taken.

Moved by Mrs. Mummah, of Cripple Creek, seconded by Mrs. Ormsby, of Colorado Springs, that Resolution No. 6 be adopted.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Brisack, of Pueblo, that Resolution No. 7 be adopted. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Newman, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Kingsford, of Rawlins, that Resolution No. 8 be adopted. Carried.

Tellers announced the result of third ballot for Delegate-at-Large. 75 votes cast, necessary to choice, 38. Mrs. French received 40, Mrs. Hawes, 35. Mrs. French declared elected.

Moved by Mrs. Rundle, of Grand Junction, seconded by Mrs. Martin, of Denver, that the report of Committee on Resolutions be adopted as a whole. Carried.

Nominations for 1st delegate.—Mrs. Ormsby, of Colorado Springs, nominated Mrs. Ellison, of Colorado Springs, seconded by Mrs. Clark, of Colorado Springs. Mrs. Welsh, of Greeley, nominated Mrs. Hawes, of Greeley, seconded by Mrs. Babbitt, of Denver. Mrs. DeToliver, of Colorado Springs, nominated Mrs.

Langmeyer, of Colorado Springs, seconded by Mrs. Sahrbeck, of Manitou. Mrs. Faust, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Welsh, of Greeley, seconded by Mrs. Russell, of Golden. Mrs. Babbitt, of Denver, nominated Mrs. Rischie, of Denver, seconded by Crocker Corps.

Mrs. Holliday presented the retiring Department President, Mrs. Ella L. C. Dwinell, with a gold watch and chain with the following remarks:

MRS. PRESIDENT :—

Nearly two years ago we became acquainted through correspondence when I wrote, asking that you institute a Corps at Cripple Creek, in the gold belt. My request was complied with and when I made your personal acquaintance, one year ago, I found you had not brought home an excess of the precious metal. Others noted this and, because of your labors in this Department, have provided this golden testimonial, and have asked me to bind you with this chain and watch you through years to come with this beautiful timepiece.

Our wish is that as the hours of your life tick softly by, each one may bring you peace and contentment.

Mrs. Dwinell was very much surprised and responded with much feeling and expressed her thanks and appreciation.

Mrs. Rapp then presented Mrs. Dwinell with the Past Department President's bronze badge. Mrs. Hardin spoke of having heard Mrs. Dwinell's remark that she had rather have one of the bronze badges of the order than any jeweled one. Mrs. Rapp presented Mrs. Sutton, retiring secretary, with a very pretty Recognition pin, which was kindly received and highly appreciated by Mrs. Sutton.

Report of Committee on Patriotic Teaching read by Mrs. Kingsford, of Rawlins, for Mrs. Ulen, Chairman of Committee.

Committee on Patriotic Teaching.

Laramie, Wyoming, May 10, 1897.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C. :

As chairman of the Department Committee on Patriotic Teaching, I have the honor to report that we have succeeded in obtaining a report from thirty-five out of a total of forty-one Corps in the Department. While the work is yet in its infancy and we feel that not much has been accomplished, yet a beginning has been made that your Committee hope will result in a well defined and systematic line of work throughout the entire Department.

Following is a brief summary of the work of the various committees and presidents of the Corps :

FARRAGUT, No. 1. Every school house is equipped with a storm flag and every room with a silk flag. Generally the Flag Salute is not used.

UPTON, No. 2. Has not accomplished anything this year but the President hopes to do some good work in that line soon.

SEDGWICK, No. 3. Joint committee of Post and Corps at work. Have ordered Rituals, etc., and are laying their plans for the future.

COLORADO SPRINGS, No. 4. Reports Patriotic Teaching in every one of the nine school buildings of the city and in some rooms is used very extensively. Flag Salute is daily exercise in the primary departments. The W. R. C. makes a specialty of this work.

T. H. DODD, No. 5. The School Board and Superintendent of the Golden schools gave their consent for the introduction of the Flag Salute but the Principal refuses. Committee is hopeful of success for the future.

GEO. G. MEADE, No. 6. Committee had nothing to report

up to April 10th, but as the election was over, hoped to have something to say at the Convention.

E. V. SUMNER, No. 7. No report received.

JAMES A. GARFIELD, No. 8. Post and Corps have united with other patriotic organizations to make the teaching of patriotism a special feature of the Leadville and Lake county schools. Flag Salute used daily for the past three years. Have expended \$788 for flags and flag poles, \$145.68 for pictures, primers, Independence charts, rituals and books,—a total expenditure of \$933.68. A very creditable showing indeed.

J. F. REYNOLDS, No. 9. Flag Salute is used in all the schools of Cheyenne and in nearly all of those in the country districts.

GENERAL SHIELDS, No. 10. The committee report they will not be able to do very much during this term of school. They have sent for books and will do all in their power toward teaching patriotism in the schools at New Castle.

HOTCHKISS, No. 11. Have been able to do but little but are ready and willing to do every thing in their power to honor "Old Glory."

GUNNISON, No. 12. Has expended about \$25.00 for flags, flag poles etc. for the schools. Have placed the Salute and patriotic teaching in the schools and are pushing forward to greater perfection in the work.

CASPER W. COLLINS, No. 13. Owing to hindering circumstances no committee on Patriotic Teaching had been appointed on March 31st. President hopeful for the future.

VETERAN, No. 14. The committee report that they have visited the schools and find that the Flag Salute is given in some of them. The P. O. D. of A. is looking after this branch of the work and the committee feel they should not interfere with it.

U. S. GRANT, No. 15. President reports that owing to the absence of the chairman of the committee no work has been done, but hopes for better things in the near future.

WADSWORTH, No. 16. Flag Salute is used on all public

occasions and children encouraged by Corps as often as opportunity offers. Hope to have a better report next time.

GRAND JUNCTION, No. 17. Sends no report.

R. A. CAMERON, No. 18. Flag Salute is taught in schools and used on all public occasions. President hopes more work will be done next year.

WINFIELD SCOTT, No. 19. Schools drilled in Flag Salute three years ago. Corps is small and financially weak. Relief work is heavy and cannot spend much money for literature, etc.

CUSTER, No. 20. Committee on Patriotic Teaching appointed in 1893 and the work has been carried on ever since. Flag Salute used daily in the schools of Laramie and also of country schools for three years. Corps committee has supplied city schools with Patriotic primers and framed copies of Declaration of Independence. Committee has expended \$30.00 for primers, Declaration of Independence and leaflets with very satisfactory results.

RENO, No. 21. They have a committee appointed and intend doing good work, but the field is such a large one they cannot accomplish much in a short space of time but we may look for a fine report from this Corps at the next Convention.

MULLIGAN, No. 22. The school at the county seat is the only one in the county that has a flag or Flag Drill.

JAMES W. ANDERSON, No. 23. President reports committee unable to accomplish much this year owing to the crowded condition of the schools but hope to be able to do something next year.

W. T. SHERMAN, No. 24. Committee has presented schools with copies of Flag Salute and Patriotic Songs and report much interest in the schools.

PFEIFFER, No. 25. President reports no committee but will attend to the matter when the fall term of school opens.

GEO. H. THOMAS, No. 26. Reports the appointment of committees from Post and Corps and hope to get to work soon.

NATHANIEL LYONS, No. 27. Committee reports Flag Salute introduced three years ago. Joint committee of Post and Corps expect to order primers etc., and will guard the matter zealously.

STEADMAN, No. 28. Sends no report.

BATTLE MOUNTAIN, No. 29. Committee as yet unable to influence the school board, but find the teachers willing to take up the work.

KIT CARSON, No. 31. Sends no report.

McPHERSON, No. 32. Committee reports observance by the schools of all National holidays, also Flag Salute used by pupils of lower grades.

KILPATRICK, No. 34. Does not report.

AKRON, No. 36. Began the work two or three years ago, which is still carried on in the higher and lower grades.

E. M. STANTON, No. 37. They have their committee appointed and hope to follow out the "suggestions" from Department committee and also report that no opportunity for teaching patriotism in the schools will be neglected. They are well supplied with flags, and Flag Salute is used.

PIKE'S PEAK, No. 39. Does not report.

M. M. CROCKER, No. 40. Committee finds the "Northside" schools of Denver using the Flag Salute and teaching Patriotism. Are supplying the teachers with Patriotic primers and are desirous of doing all in their power to aid in the good cause.

PHIL SHERIDAN, No. 41. The committee report having visited the schools, interviewed the teachers and find patriotism taught and the Flag Salute and patriotic songs used. School owns six large flags, one of which is suspended on a staff and the others over the teachers' desks.

GEORGE WASHINGTON, No. 42. Committee found an "overflow" school without a flag and called on the J. O. U. A. M. No. 4 to supply the deficiency, which was done.

JOE HOOKER, No. 43. The committee report that the Flag

Salute has been taught ever since the Columbian year, but not with the regularity and system suggested. A year ago the Corps of the place presented each school room with a flag which gave an added interest to the practice of saluting the flag. The committee fully intends to make an effort to secure systematic patriotic teaching in the Monte Vista schools.

HOLYOKE, No. 44. The report says the schools of Phillips county teach patriotism.

JOHN C. FREMONT, No. 45. The committee reports the School Board of Littleton willing to comply with their request to introduce the Flag Salute, etc., provided the East Denver schools adopt it.

From the above it will be seen that the majority of the Corps in this Department desire to make this work a success, and realizing its importance your committee would respectfully offer the following recommendations: **FIRST**, that blanks be prepared and issued by the Department upon which Corps may report and thus secure greater uniformity and better results. **SECOND**, that Corps be requested to earnestly endeavor to place the "Patriotic Primer" and the "Ritual for Teaching Patriotism in the Public Schools" in the hands of every teacher in our Department. **THIRD**, that where the work has been begun by other patriotic organizations that the W. R. C. join in and help it on. There is always room for harmonious effort.

Believing that love of Country cannot mean much to "those hardened by cruel teaching" and that "our flag is too sacred an emblem—sanctified by too much of noble sacrifice, to be rightly cherished by those trained to the sight of torture needlessly inflicted on the helpless and unoffending" we would further recommend that this department take such steps as may be necessary to adopt and further the noble work of The American Humane Education society in accordance with the appeal made by said society to the W. R. C. through the National committee on Patriotic Teaching and that "with the American flag which is to receive honor in every school house, may be upheld likewise" the "Banner of Mercy, Justice and Compassion." Let the Woman's Relief Corps urge the organization of Bands of Mercy and thus prevent

and overcome the demoralizing effects of dissection and vivisection, that the Stars and Stripes may indeed become the emblem of the highest type of nobility of character.

In concluding this report I desire to express on behalf of the committee our appreciation of the honor conferred by our Department President in giving the work of this committee to our hands and for myself would say that to my faithful co-workers, Mrs. Camilla S. Fair and Mrs. Jessie Sharp Purrier, is due much of whatever success has been attained.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ADDA ULEN, Chairman.

Tellers announced the result of ballot for First Delegate, 72 votes cast, necessary to choice 37. Mrs. Ellison 26, Mrs. Hawes 23, Mrs. Rischie 14, Mrs. Langmeyer 3, Mrs. Welsh 1, blank 5; no election. Second ballot taken.

The secretary read the minutes of the four Council meetings, there being no objection, they were approved.

The tellers announced the result of second ballot for First Delegate, 46 votes cast, necessary to choice 24. Mrs. Ellison 30, Mrs. Hawes 9, Mrs. Rischie 7. Mrs. Ellison declared elected First Delegate.

Mrs. Seeds moved and seconded by several that Mrs. Hawes be elected Second Delegate by acclamation. Carried. The secretary cast the vote and Mrs. Hawes was declared elected Second Delegate.

Moved by Mrs. Sanford and seconded by Mrs. DeToliver that Mrs. Rischie be elected Alternate-at-Large and the secretary be instructed to cast the ballot of Convention. Carried. The secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Rischie declared Alternate-at-Large.

Moved by Mrs. DeToliver, seconded by Mrs. Sutton that Mrs. Langmeyer be elected First Alternate by acclamation. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Smith, of Denver, seconded by Mrs. Riggs, of Colorado Springs, the report be adopted. Carried.

Relief report read by Mrs. Faust, Chairman, and the following committee appointed: Irene DeToliver, of Colorado Springs, Alice Johnson, of Denver, and Marion Hall, of Colorado Springs.

Report of Department Relief.

Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, W. R. C. :

MADAM :—I have the honor to report the following receipts and disbursements as Chairman of Department Relief:

Received from Department Treasurer during the year,	\$87 19
1896 Disbursements: Disbursements:	
For 3rd quarter, groceries, fuel, medicine,	\$19 75
Transportation,	12 00
Car fare,	1 00
Total,	\$32 75
Number of visits made, 25.	
Number of families assisted, 7.	
Number of persons in families, 22.	
1896 Disbursements for 4th quarter, groceries, fuel and clothing,	12 25
Number of persons assisted, 10.	
Visits, 35.	
Cr. 1897.—First quarter,—groceries, coal, board, rent and clothing,	21 10
Transportation,	2 85
Car fare,	1 05
Total,	\$25 00
Cr.—Second quarter.—Transportation,	5 00
Groceries and shoes,	3 00
Stamps,	25
Car fare,	50
Total,	\$ 8 75

Visits in 1st and 2nd quarters, 40.

Families assisted, 18.

Total disbursement.

1896. Third quarter, \$32 75. Rec'd from Dep. Tr. \$87 19

" Fourth qr. 12 25. Disbursement, 78 75

1897. First qr. 25 00.

" Second qr. 8 75.

Total \$78 75 Bal. to Treasurer, \$8 44

Received donations from Post and Corps,--Cash,

Washington Post, \$13 00

" Corps, money collected, 54 00

" " Cash out of R. fund, 9 00

Veteran Corps, 5 00

Geo. G. Meade Corps, 3 00

Total, \$84 00

Other than money. \$39 00

Disbursements.--

Rail Road Fare, 10 00

Rent, 2 00

Cash given to two families, 67 00

Groceries, fruit, etc., 5 00

Total. \$84 00

Would say in explanation that the money collected by Washington Corps, was at the mills where one of the children was working and hurt. They collected it on two different occasions. Once \$44.00, and once \$10.00.

The secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Langmeyer was declared elected.

Moved by Mrs. Rischie and seconded by the Leadville delegation that Mrs. Susie Searle be Second Alternate and secretary be instructed to cast the ballot. Carried. Secretary cast the ballot and Mrs. Susie Searle was declared elected Second Alternate.

Moved by Mrs. Critchel, seconded by Mrs. Campbell, that the

report of the Committee on the Chairman of Relief be adopted. Carried.

Report of Committee of I. and I. officer's Report:

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE 13TH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION:—

We, the Committee on report of the report of I. and I. Officer find it correct, and recommend its adoption.

ALICE L. BARNEY,
IRENE DeTOLIVER,

Committee.

Moved by Mrs. Bacon, seconded by Mrs. Critchel, the report of Committee on I. and I. officer's report be adopted. Carried.

Minutes of afternoon session and all unfinished business on motion of Mrs. Carr and seconded by Mrs. Seeds, should be read and approved by the incoming council. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Carr, seconded by Mrs. Holliday, that five hundred copies of the Journal be printed. Carried.

There being no further business, the Department President declared the Convention adjourned till 8 p. m. for installation of officers at Temple Theatre.

RESOLUTION OF THANKS.

RESOLVED: That we, the Department Council of Colorado and Wyoming extend the thanks of the W. R. C. to the citizens and the Colorado Springs Relief Corps for the courtesies extended during the Thirteenth Annual Convention and that this resolution be printed in our journal.

Assembled at Temple Theatre at joint installation of G. A. R. and W. R. C. After the installation of officers in both organiza-

tions, the President, Fannie D. Hardin, declared the Thirteenth Annual Convention closed.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,
MARION SUTTON, Department President.
Secretary.

Minutes approved as corrected at the second Council meeting.

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MINUTES OF DEPARTMENT COUNCIL MEETINGS.

DENVER, COLORADO, April 24, 1896.

First session of the newly elected Department Council called to order in the parlor of the First Baptist Church of Denver by Ella L. C. Dwinell, Department President. Officers present, Fannie D. Hardin, S. V. P.; Effie V. B. Aldrich, J. V. P.; Marion Sutton, Secretary; Clara Rapp, Treasurer; Olive M. Bacon, Chaplain; Alice M. Seeds, Inspector; Sarah Waldo, I. and I. officer; Anna B. Holliday, Counsellor; Ruth DePue and Eilie Tripp, two members of Executive Board. It was moved, seconded and carried that the Department pay the Janitor of the Church \$5.00 for care of same during Convention. Many being anxious to leave for home, and three members of the Executive Board not being present to be installed, it was moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Bacon, the Council adjourn subject to the call of the President. Carried.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARION SUTTON,
Department Secretary.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., July 12, 1896.

The second Department Council Meeting was held in the G. A. R. Hall with seven members present. Department President, Ella L. C. Dwinell in the chair.

The President stated that the object of the meeting was to approve the report of the Executive Board in selecting an Auditing Committee; also to consult in regard to the distress of the Lamar Corps. The Executive Board made the following report:

Mrs. Ormsby elected Chairman of Auditing Committee, Mrs. Sahrbeck and Mrs. DePue Associate members.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, that the report be adopted. Carried. The President then spoke of the Kit Carson Corps, of Lamar, stating that they had met with a loss by fire of all their Corps property. Moved by Mrs. Ormsby, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, the supplies of the Thornburg Corps be sent them. Carried.

The President appointed Mrs. Rapp, Mrs. Seeds and Mrs. Sutton to look over and destroy all unnecessary property of Department Secretary, also a committee composed of Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Todd and Mrs. Kauffman to look over and destroy the unnecessary documents of Department Treasurer. The minutes read and approved. On motion by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Rapp, the Council adjourned subject to call by President. Carried.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARION SUTTON, Secretary.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., Jan. 21, 1897.

Third Department Council Meeting called to order at the G. A. R. Hall by the Department President, Ella L. C. Dwinell. Members present, Fannie D. Hardin, S. V. P.; Effie V. B. Aldrich, J. V. P.; Marion Sutton, Secretary; Clara Rapp, Treasurer; Alice M. Seeds, Inspector; Marion Hall, Chairman of Executive Board; Katie L. Sahrbeck and Ruth DePue, two members of Aud-

iting Committee. Mrs. Aldrich spoke of the money sent to her for the Soldiers' Home and suggested to the Council that they take action on the matter, directing for what purpose the money should be used.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Seeds, that Mrs. Aldrich should use her own good judgment, and buy books and papers for the Hospital of the Soldiers' Home with the money. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Sutton that Mrs. Hardin and Mrs. Rapp be a committee to attend to procuring a frame to support the glass case containing the Department banner. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Hardin that all reports of Department officers and their recommendations be sent to Department President, not later than April 25th for her inspection and the Secretary notify all Department officers. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Aldrich, seconded by Mrs. DePue that the W. R. C. invite the G. A. R. to have joint headquarters in the coming Convention. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. DePue, seconded by Mrs. Rapp that the Department of Colorado and Wyoming extend to the National President and her staff an invitation to be present at the coming Convention in Colorado Springs, May 11th, 12th and 13th. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Sahrbeck, that the President appoint a committee to purchase trunks in which to keep the Department supplies of Secretary and Treasurer. Carried.

The President appointed Mrs. Seeds and Mrs. Sutton to purchase one for the Secretary, and Mrs. Hardin and Mrs. Rapp for the Treasurer.

Minutes read and approved.

On motion by the Department Treasurer seconded by the Department Inspector, the Council adjourned subject to the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

COLORADO SPRINGS, COLO., May 11, 1897.

The Fourth Department Council Meeting was called to order by the Department President, Ella L. C. Dwinell, at Department Headquarters, Alamo Hotel. Officers present, Fannie D. Hardin, S. V. P.; Effie V. B. Aldrich, J. V. P.; Marion Sutton, Secretary; Clara Rapp, Treasurer; Alice M. Seeds, Inspector; Marion Hall, Chairman of Executive Board; Eilie Tripp, member of Executive Board; Katie L. Sahrbeck and Emma Ormsby, two members of Auditing Committee.

The following reports of the Chairman of Executive Board was read.

Report of Executive Board.

MRS. PRESIDENT AND MEMBERS OF THE DEPARTMENT COUNCIL, W. R. C.:

LADIES: As Chairman of the Executive Board, I have the pleasure of submitting the following report for the Thirteenth Annual Convention:

I appreciate the courtesy extended to me by electing me to this position, and accepted the same with many misgivings, but through the kindness of my associate officers my duties have been very light. The Executive Board met and selected an Auditing Committee, which was reported to the second Council Meeting and approved in accordance with rules and regulations. The following report of the Auditing Committee was read and adopted by the Board at a meeting held in Colorado Springs, May 11, 1897:

MRS. MARION HALL,

Chairman of Executive Board W. R. C.

Four Council Meetings were held during the year of which I attended two. The Headquarters of the Department were established at room 42 First National Bank Building, the use of same being kindly donated by Department President. The expenses of

the Department have been more this year than in the past, but we have had to pay two quarters more per capita tax than during the past year.

When called upon, I have counselled with the President in regard to matters concerning the welfare of the Department and have found her always considering the best interest of the order. I wish to extend to her my thanks for her many kindnesses.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

MARION HALL,
Chairman of Executive Board.

Report of Auditing Committee.

Your Committee appointed to audit the books of the Department Secretary and Treasurer, have met three times during the year, and have carefully examined all books, accounts and vouchers, and find them correct and neatly kept. We would recommend hereafter the per capita tax of delinquent Corps be recorded in red ink, thereby greatly assisting the Auditing Committee.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.

EMMA ORMSBY,
KATIE L. SAHRBECK,
RUTH DePUE.

Committee.

Motion by Mrs. Hardin, S. V. P., seconded by Mrs. Seeds, Inspector, that the reports as read, be adopted. Carried.

The Committee on procuring the frame for the glass case containing the Department Banner reported they had a table donated for present use. Moved by Mrs. Seeds, seconded by Mrs. Aldrich, the report be adopted. Carried.

The Committee on purchasing trunk for Secretary reported that they had procured one suitable. Moved by Mrs. Hardin, seconded by Mrs. Ormsby, the report be adopted. Carried.

Mrs. Hardin reported that a suitable trunk had been purchased for Treasurer's documents. Mrs. Ormsby moved, seconded by Mrs. Sahrbeck, that the report be adopted. Carried.

Moved by the J. V. P., seconded by the Treasurer, the Council adjourn sine die. Carried.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

Decisions of Thirteenth Department Convention.

The following decisions of the Thirteenth Department Convention are hereby promulgated:

1. That our Corps be requested to furnish works of art and decorations for the Soldiers' Home.
2. That the silver badges worn by our National delegates have fresh ribbon each year, as they are always soiled after being worn at the Convention and are not suitable to be worn a second time.
3. That those things that belong to the Department and are only needed as a matter of history be kept in one place designated by the Past Presidents of this Department, that the Department need not be to the expense of moving them from place to place.
4. That all recommendations or resolutions accepted be put in file or book together, and that general orders giving the decisions of Convention be filed in a book by themselves so that officers will not have to look through so much material to find what they want.
5. That the Past Department President send the Journals to those entitled to them direct, thus saving double freight on same.

6. That the Department Secretary and Treasurer properly fill out separate blanks of Secretary and Treasurer and Relief Committee and send to Corps with the first blanks sent out after installation.

Report of Department President to Department Commander, G. A. R.

OFFICE OF PRESIDENT, }
May 8th, 1897. }

GEN'L H. O. DODGE,

Department Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic:

DEAR SIR:—It becomes my duty to transmit to you, and through you to the Eighteenth Department Encampment a report of relief expended by the Corps of this Department during the past year:

Cash Expended by Corps for Relief	\$1,910 35
Cash Expended by Department,	87 19

Total Cash,	\$1,997 54
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Value of Relief other than money,	\$3,418 08
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Total Relief,	\$ 5,415 62
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Cash contributed to Sailors' and Soldiers' Home for

Colorado,	\$ 44 50
For Wyoming,	6 50
Value other than money, for Colorado,	95 00
For Wyoming,	60 75

Total,	\$ 206 75
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Contributions for Memorial Day in the South,	\$ 17 25
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" to Andersonville Prison fund,	56 65
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" to W. R. C. Home,	3 15
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Total,	\$ 77 05
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DEPARTMENT COMMANDER.

TOTALS.	
For Relief,	\$5,415 62
For S. and S. Home,	206 75
For other funds,	77 05
Grand Total,	<u>\$5,699 42</u>

There are now in this Department forty-two Corps, with a membership in good standing of 1414; members of delinquent Corps, 22; members of new Corps not in reports, 31, which make a total membership of 1467.

Balance in general fund of corps March 31,	\$1,499 60
“ relief fund of the corps “ 31,	832 78

To you, and through you, to the Grand Army of the Republic of which we are the most honored in-being the Auxiliary, I wish to express my thanks for all the courtesies extended to this Department, especially in having appointed upon your staff members of the Relief Corps. We appreciate the feeling that prompted it and are doubly sure of the appreciation of our work and I can assure you that in the future as in the past we shall always try to serve you and hope that you will continue towards us the same, Fraternity, Loyalty and Charity (especially charity) that you have always extended to us and remember, that to the W. R. C. there is only one army and that is the Grand Army of the Republic.

Respectfully submitted in F. C. and L.,

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

Department President of Colorado and Wyoming.

LETTERS.

DENVER, COLO., May 11, 1897.

MRS. FANNIE D. HARDIN,

Sen. Vice President W. R. C., Colo. and Wyo.

MADAM: Having learned through you that Decoration Day is to be observed Saturday, May 29th, I have called a special

meeting of the Executive Board of the Art and Literature Department of the Woman's Club of Denver, for the purpose of changing the date of our Porch Party. When we selected May 29th as the date of our Porch Party, we were under the impression that the memorial services would be held on Monday, May 31. Since learning of our mistake we have hastened to take the necessary steps for making the change as under no circumstances would we ever arrange for any festivities to be held upon this sacred Memorial day which we devote to the memory of our honored dead.

Yours truly,

CARRIE O. KISTLER,

Chairman of Art and Literature Department Woman's Club of Denver.

COLORADO SPRINGS, May 13, 1897.

CARRIE O. KISTLER,

MADAM: Your letter to Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin, announcing the change of your Porch Party, was read in the Thirteenth Annual Convention today, and the kindness of your Department in making the change, and your principles in regard to Memorial Day, was warmly applauded, and a vote of thanks was sent you by the Thirteenth Annual Convention.

Respectfully Yours,

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

The foregoing letters are an object lesson to all societies that the G. A. R. hold Memorial Day sacred to the memory of "Our heroic dead" and we hope to see at no distant day a like courtesy from all societies. There are surely days enough for sport and pleasure without taking from us this day of sad memories and making of it a gala day. God grant the time may come when this country will be proud to honor the men who bared their breast that this Union should be preserved.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

Department President.

GENERAL ORDERS.

HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT OF
COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

COLORADO SPRINGS, April 27th, 1896.

Having been elected President of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, at its Twelfth Annual Convention, held in Denver April 22d, 23rd and 24th, I hereby assume command, asking the earnest support of all Corps throughout the Department.

First.—Department Headquarters are hereby established at Colorado Springs, El Paso county, Colorado, Room 42, First National Bank Building, and Marion Sutton has been appointed Secretary.

Second.—Mrs. Clara Rapp, Veteran Corps, Denver, Colorado, having been elected Treasurer, all orders for supplies will be addressed to her.

Third.—Corps Chaplains are reminded that the Memorial Day blanks must be filled out immediately after Memorial Day and forwarded to Department Chaplain, Olive M. Bacon, Winfield Scott Corps, Aspen, Colorado.

These officers will be obeyed and respected accordingly.

By Command of

ELLA L. C. DWINELL.

OFFICIAL: _____ Department President.

MARION SUTTON.

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
MAY 4, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 2. }

I. With the revolving years we again stand by the graves of our nation's heroes to renew our love and place a testimonial of our patriotism upon their graves. Again to teach our children that great object lesson for which this day was set apart, if we hope to accomplish what General Logan and his comrades meant it should.

We regret with heartfelt sorrow as we see this day, to us so sacred, made a holiday. We have so many days in which to make merry that it seems sad indeed that this one day, set apart to love and patriotism, should be turned into a festal day. We must impress upon our people that we hold this as a sacred day set apart to honor brave men fallen in their country's cause; that the stranger be made to understand that this one day must not be a day for festivities. While they may say they have made no study or given no thought to this "Memorial Day," they must remember that to-day we would have no country but for these men, now old and feeble beyond their years, and the many, many graves scattered all over our beloved land. And shame upon the man so devoid of patriotism, let him belong to what nationality he may, that cannot respect this day!

The men who stood face to face through those terrible years against us regard the day more reverently, and we are glad that we may stand side by side placing the first spring flowers upon the graves of the fallen, clasping hands and with reverent voice thanking our Heavenly Father for one country and one flag.

II. Corps Chaplains will forward their reports of "Memorial Day" Services to the Department Chaplain not later than June 10th, to Olive M. Bacon, Department Chaplain, Aspen, Colorado.

By Command of

OFFICIAL.
MARION SUTTON,

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,
Department President.

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, June 8, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
 No. 3. }

I. The Twelfth Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming was held in Denver April 22d, 23d and 24th. The attendance was large and Convention harmonious. Those who enjoy the privilege yearly of going to these conventions cannot but feel that they grow more interesting, and that the feeling that binds us in the bonds of Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty has a higher and grander meaning as the years pass away.

II. We acknowledge the courtesies and kindnesses extended to us by the local Corps and the citizens of Denver; and we also thank the First Baptist Church for the use of their beautiful building.

III. The following officers were elected to serve the Department for the coming year:

President—Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs, Colo.
 S. V. President—Fannie D. Hardin, Denver, Colo.
 J. V. President—Effie V. B. Aldrich, Monte Vista, Colo.
 Treasurer—Clara Rapp, Denver.
 Chaplain—Olive M. Bacon, Aspen, Colo.
 Executive Board—Marion Hall, Colorado Springs.
 Emma Ormsby, Colorado Springs.
 Katie L. Sahrbeck, Manitou, Colo.
 Ruth DePue, Pueblo, Colo.
 Eilie Tripp, Golden, Colo.

DELEGATES TO THE NATIONAL CONVENTION AT ST. PAUL.

At Large—Louisa Deacon, Rawlins, Wyo.
 First Delegate—Ida R. Critchell, Denver.
 Second Delegate—Amy Young, Grand Junction, Colo.
 Alternate at Large—Jessie Sharp Purrier, Gunnison, Colo.
 First Alternate—Anna K. Denney, Cripple Creek, Colo.
 Second Alternate—Clemantine S. Hawes, Greeley, Colo.

The following appointments were made :

Secretary—Marion Sutton, Colorado Springs.

Inspector—Alice M. Seeds, Cripple Creek, Colo.

Counselor—Anna B. Holliday, Laramie, Wyo.

I. and I. Officer—Sarah E. Waldo, Denver.

These officers, in the discharge of their duties, will be respected and obeyed.

IV. The Department Relief Committee is as follows : Chairman—Lou Faust, George Washington Corps No. 42, West Alameda avenue, No. 213, Denver, Colo. ; Ella M. Beyers, Corps No. 6; Eliza F. Sickles, Corps No. 43; Susie J. Searles, Corps No. 8; and Mina Sanford, Corps No. 2.

V. The following are appointed Aides on the Staff of Department President:

Chief Aide—Lettie Capell, Corps No. 4
 Minnie L. Benson, Corps No. 1
 Lizzie H. Tiffany, Corps N. 3
 Sarah Russell, Corps No. 5
 Julia Doyle, Corps No. 7
 Bertha Meyers, Corps No. 9
 Eva Trimble, Corps No. 10
 Laura Wilmot, Corps No. 11
 Sarah E. Williams, Corps No. 12
 Mary L. Jennings; Corps No. 13
 Mary E. West, Corps No. 14
 Climena G. Howard, Corps No. 15
 Anna Burr, Corps No. 16
 Ida M. Fallis, Corps No. 17
 Hattie H. Otis, Corps No. 18
 Sarah J. Miller, Corps No. 20
 Christina Vought, Corps No. 21
 Nellie S. Flint, Corps No. 24
 Hannah King, Corps No. 26
 Tilly Weiderhold, Corps No. 27
 Della S. Kelsey, Corps No. 28
 Clara F. Pierce, Corps No. 29
 Maud Stewart, Corps No. 31

Orphie E. Bacon, Corps No. 32
Hattie Closson, Corps No. 34
Nola Bee, Corps No. 36
Margret Delo, Corps No. 37
Helen Berrian, Corps No. 41
Ida S. Kelsey, Corps No. 44
Dora Horton, Corps No. 45
Elnora Brown, Corps No. 46

There will be sent to each Aide a badge to be worn with Corps badge. The President also sends Department paper and envelopes, and will expect each Aide to look after the interest of the Department in her Corps, as in no other way can the President keep in touch with each Corps. I desire especially that you look after delinquent members and keep the Corps ranks in good working order and make any reports to the Department that may help the Corps to become more perfect in its work.

All communications of Aides to be sent to Chief Aide, Lettie Capell, No. 321 North El Paso street, Colorado Springs, Colo.

Please acknowledge the receipt of badge and stationery.

Will the Secretary of each Corps send the Department Secretary the time of their Corps meeting, as it will aid Department in Inspector's work.

VI. The following are appointed on Flag Salute Committee:

Adda Ulen, chairman, Laramie, Wyo.; Custer Corps No. 20.
Camilla S. Fair, Corps No. 8.
Jessie Sharp Purrier, Corps No. 12.

Corps Presidents who have not appointed committee for this work will do so.

VII. Department Press Correspondents—Josephine Cheesman, U. S. Grant Corps, No. 15, Greeley, Colo.

Corps Presidents will appoint a press correspondent, who will send all communications to Mrs. Cheesman. This may be a great educational work in our Corps if well done.

VIII. All money orders, checks or drafts for per capita tax must be made payable to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, No. 1551 Gray street, Denver, Colo.

IX. DECISIONS OF THE TWELFTH DEPARTMENT CONVENTION.

1. That a committee be appointed to prepare instructions to Corps Secretaries and Treasurers concerning the methods of keeping the Corps books, and that the Inspector and her assistants study the same and require Corps to follow instructions.

2. That the Corps of this Department bend every effort to teach the proper observance of Memorial Day, but that it be optional with Corps whether the graves of W. R. C. members be decorated upon May 30th or upon some other day.

3. That the incoming Department President appoint a committee to provide badges for the representatives to National Convention.

4. That installing officers be furnished by the outgoing Secretary with a list of the Corps officers—type written, if possible—the names given in full and properly spelled.

5. That yet again Corps officers be urged to exercise greater care with the reports, thus saving the Department officers much labor.

6. That 10 per cent. of per capita tax received each quarter be transferred to the relief fund.

7. That Corps Treasurers in cities give their addresses on quarterly reports, street and number.

8. That every Corps President be reminded that it is part of her work to see that reports are sent to Department Chaplain immediately after Memorial Day, thereby giving that officer sufficient time to condense the reports for the National.

9. That General Orders containing the address of the Department Chaplain be sent to Corps Chaplains.

10. That a committee be appointed to act, together with a like committee from the Grand Army, in the matter of securing an appropriation for cottages and dormitories for the wives, widows and mothers of soldiers.

11. That this Convention endorse the name of a member of this Order for the first vacancy on the Soldiers' Home Commission.

12. That two copies of General Orders be sent each Corps, one for the President and one for the Secretary.

13. That the National Journals be distributed to those entitled to them as soon as received at Department Headquarters.

14. That the Department banner be taken to the convention room at annual meetings.

15. To more clearly define the power of the Executive Committee. As the Corps Treasurer is the only officer under bond, all moneys be turned over to that officer for disbursement.

X. The Roll of Honor will be continued. All correct reports received at these Headquarters on or before the 5th day of the month, following the close of the quarter, will entitle Corps to equal rank on the Roll of Honor. It is the duty of Corps Presidents to see that the quarterly reports are forwarded to Headquarters immediately after the last Corps meeting for that quarter.

XI. Corps Chaplains will forward their Memorial Day reports through Corps Presidents, not later than June 10th, to Olive M. Bacon, Aspen, Colo.

XII. All officers and past officers that do not secure General Orders, will make known the fact to the Department, and we will see that you secure them.

XIII. General Shield Corps No. 10 sent on March 28th to the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home a package containing 14 sheets and 28 pillow slips, valued at \$15.

XIV. The committee to provide badges for the representatives to the National Convention are:

Lydia Ellison, Colorado Springs,
Etura Clark, Colorado Springs,
Edith Corporan, Colorado City.

XV. Committee appointed to act with Grand Army in the matter of securing an appropriation for cottages and dormitories for the wives, widows and mothers of soldiers are:

Laura S. Dodge, Boulder,
Mary L. Carr, Longmont,
Janette L. Todd, Denver.

XVI. The Committee on Uniformity of Work, appointed by Past Department President Anna B. Holliday, is reappointed to complete the work, and are:

Josephine Cheesman, Greeley,
Libbie Kent Daniels, Denver,
Lucy M. Capron, Denver.

XVII. The Fourteenth National Convention of the Woman's Relief Corps will be held in St. Paul, Minn., the first week in September, 1896, and all Representatives and others desiring accommodations with delegations will notify Department Headquarters as soon as possible.

XVIII. To every member in our Order in this Department, I send kindly greeting, and would thank all that so kindly expressed a desire for the success of this administration. I shall give to the work my best efforts, expecting from each member of the W. R. C. her earnest and loyal support, for in "union there is strength."

The Pass word accompanies this General Order."

By command of

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

OFFICIAL:

Department President.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, August 4, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 4. }

I. National General Order No. 7, accompanies this of the Department and to save repetition all Corps Secretaries should read it carefully.

II. Commander Dodge's General Order No. 5: The Thirtieth National Encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held at St. Paul, Minn., during the first week in September. The official route and hour for starting for this Department will be published as soon as settled. A rate of \$25 for the round trip is secured. It is hoped that this low rate will induce the comrades to work up a large delegation for the trip, both in and out of the order. Comrades, lay aside the cares of life, turn out and touch elbows in the grand parade, renew your youth, and imbibe afresh the patriotic sentiments which induced you to offer your lives for 'Old Glory' a generation ago.

Women of the Relief Corps we are The Auxiliary; help the comrades and let all go in the Department who can.

III. Headquarters will be established at "Hotel Ryan" where we are invited by The Grand Army of Colorado and Wyoming to "Unfurl our Banners" beside theirs at the National Encampment and join with them in headquarters. The Womans Relief Corps of this Department acknowledge with joyful hearts the courtesy extended to them.

IV. Each member of our Order who intend going to the Convention must procure the National password from her Corps President. The elected delegates and alternates unable to attend the National Convention, will notify the Department Secretary at once that the vacancy may be filled and credential cards sent to them.

V. Department Headquarters will be closed from August 30th to September 10th.

VI. OFFICERS OF COLORADO AND WYOMING FOR 1896:

Past National J. V. P.—Mary A. Stimson, Trenton, Missouri.

Department President—Ella L. C. Dwinell, Colorado Springs.

Senior Vice President—Fannie D. Hardin, Denver.

Junior Vice President—Effie V. B. Aldrich, Monte Vista, Colo.

Secretary—Marion Sutton, Colorado Springs.

Treasurer—Clara Rapp, Denver.

Past Department Presidents—Catherine C. Kennedy, Denver.
 Mary J. Telford, Grand Junction.
 Augusta B. Henderson, Omaha, Neb
 America Anderson, Denver,
 Climena G. Howard, Greeley, Colo.
 Mary L. Carr, Longmont, Colo.
 Laura S. Dodge, Boulder, Colo.
 Janette L. Todd, Denver.
 Anna B. Holliday, Laramie. Wyo.

DELEGATES:

ALTERNATES.

Louisa Deacon (at large), Rawlins, Wyo.	Jessie Sharp Purrier, Gunnison, Colo.
Ida R. Critchell, Denver.	Anna K. Dennie, Cripple Creek.
Lydia C. Youngs, Evans, Colo	Clemantine S. Hawes, Greeley, Colo

VII. The committee appointed on Corps Treasurer's sample sheets will continue their work.

Committee—Margelia E. Hamilton, Libbie K. Daniels, Lucy M. Capron,	} Denver, Colorado.
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These printed copies of Secretaries' and Treasurers' work will be issued soon and sent to all Corps in this Department. approved by Department officers. Your methods may be as good, but if we ever hope to have correct reports they must be uniform throughout all of the Department. This committee has been working for some time to establish a uniform method and we desire each Corps Secretary and Treasurer to paste these sample sheets in their books and make their work conform to them and when Corps are Inspected shall try and make it plain to any who does not understand. We hope by the new year to get this Department on a uniform basis.

ROLL OF HONOR.

Farragut No. 1, Denver.	Upton No. 2, Pueblo.
Sedgwick No. 3, Durango	Colorado Springs No. 4
T. H. Dodd No. 5, Golden	George G. Meade No. 6, Denver
E. V. Sumner No. 7, Silver Cliff	James A. Garfield No. 8, Leadville
J. F. Reynolds No. 9, Cheyenne	Gen'l Shields No. 10, New Castle

Gunnison No. 12, Gunnison	Casper W. Collins No. 13, Rawlins
Veteran No. 14, Denver	U. S. Grant No. 15, Greeley
Wadsworth No. 16, Rocky Ford	Grand Junction No. 17
R.A. Cameron No. 18, Ft. Morgan	Winfield Scott No. 19, Aspen
Custer No. 20, Laramie, Wyo.	Reno No. 21, Denver
Mulligan No. 22, Springfield	W. T. Sherman No. 24, Evans
Pfeiffer No. 25, Alamosa	Nath'l Lyon No. 27, Boulder
Steadman No. 28, Telluride	Battle Mountain No. 29, Red Cliff
Kit Carson No. 31, Lamar	McPherson No. 32, Longmont
Kilpatrick No. 34, La Junta	Akron No. 36, Akron
E. M. Stanton No. 37, Salida	Pike's Peak No. 39, Manitou
M. M. Crocker No. 40, Denver	Joe Hooker No. 43, Monte Vista
John C Fremont No. 45, Littleton	Major Anderson No. 46, Harris
J. W. Anderson No. 23, Cripple Creek	
Phil Sheridan No. 41, Buena Vista	
George H. Thomas No. 26, Ft. Collins	
George Washington No. 42, Denver	

VIII. All Corps can hold their meetings once a month during the summer if they so desire.

IX. Our inspection will commence as early in September as practicable and we hope Corps will get themselves in good order, as we shall make it thorough throughout the Department and expect to visit every Corps. The traveling expenses of Inspector will be paid by the Department; local expenses by Corps.

X. An error is in General Order No. 3, as to second delegate. It should be Lydia C. Youngs, of Evans, Colo.

The following additional Aides are appointed:

Millie Bump, Upton No. 2
 Sarah E. Calvert, Geo. G. Meade No. 6
 Maria D. Wolcott, James A. Garfield No. 8
 Edith M. Williams, Winfield Scott No. 19
 Josie Robertson, Mulligan No. 22
 Loretta Mummah, J. W. Anderson No. 23
 Elizabeth Wilber, Pfeiffer No. 25
 Mary J. Broughton, Pike's Peak No. 39
 Clara Schulte, M. M. Crocker No. 40

Margaretta Kauffman, George Washington No. 42.

Belle M. Packard, Joe Hooker No. 43

Ella E. Derby. (in place of Nola Bee,
moved away), Akron No. 36

XI. All Corps not in possession of Red Book are requested to purchase one, as officers can answer most of the questions that may come before the Corps. They are for sale (price 65 cents) at office of Treasurer, Clara Rapp, No. 1551 Gray street, Denver, Colorado.

TO CORPS PRESIDENTS:—

Once more, my dear Sisters, will you not try very hard to have your Treasurer's and Secretary's reports agree with the amount per capita. We cannot make satisfactory reports to the National Officers unless the Corps reports are uniform. Do not send more or less tax than you report members. Do not erase the red figures filled in by Department Secretary in reports sent you, for they are taken from your last report and have gone to the National and cannot be changed. A little care on the part of Corps Officers will help us greatly. Remember that General Orders are published for the instruction of the Corps and when we say: "All money orders, checks and drafts must be made payable to the order of the Treasurer, Clara Rapp, and sent with reports to Marion Sutton, Secretary, at No. 42 First National Bank Building, Colorado Springs, we expect the Corps Officers to read these orders and send accordingly. Yet in last reports we had money sent to many of the Officers in the Department and some of the Past Officers. Now, dear Relief Corps Officers, be careful. It will save time, trouble of being delinquent, and postage stamps, and will make the Officers which you have placed in the Department to do your work the most grateful of servants.

XII. The Chairman of the Committee on Patriotic Teaching desires that the rest of her committee communicate with her. Address: Adda Ulen, No. 210 South Second street, Laramie, Wyoming. All Corps Presidents who have not appointed a committee on this work will do so.

XIII. Statistics from consolidated reports of Department

Secretary and Treasurer for the term ending June 30, 1896, are as follows:

Number of Corps,	42
Membership	1434
Amount of relief in money	\$678.42
Estimated value of relief other than money	\$745.88
Turned over to Post,	\$112.20

By Command of

OFFICIAL
MARION SUTTON,
Department Secretary.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,
Department President.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, October 20, 1896.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 5. }

1. The Fourteenth National Convention, held at St. Paul in September, will long be remembered by those privileged to attend. The citizens of the city did all that was possible to make this encampment one of the best; the courtesies extended were appreciated, and I am sure all who attended will sing the praises of the "Northern Star City."

2. Our Inspector has already started on her work of inspection, most of which will be done after November 1st. The Inspector will take the route west by Leadville, Grand Junction and Gunnison; the President, the route by Salida, Alamosa and Durango, also the Wyoming corps and part of Denver. The S. V., the corps in the northeastern part of State, and the Secretary the corps in the southeastern. We hope all corps, as soon as blanks are sent, will get them filled out, so as to be ready when the inspection is made. [You will find the duties of Inspector in back of Service Book. Corps Presidents should note this.] Notice of the time set for each corps will accompany each blank. Corps are

required to exemplify the entire work of the Ritual. Needed criticism should be given and received in the kindest manner possible.

3. It is impossible for Inspectors to visit all corps at a regular meeting, and special meetings must be held for their convenience when necessary, not only to save time but expense.

4. Accompanying this are the National General Orders. We desire they should be carefully read, and especially that portion for the instruction of corps, all officers should study carefully. I desire to call especial attention to Articles 2, 10, 11: also 12 will be of interest to any who may desire to organize new corps. Past and present officers may give special attention to Article 25, as it will save unnecessary delay of time.

5. In the financial interest of this department, I would like to say that owing to the change from semi-annual to quarterly reports it will bring five quarters in this year to pay per capita tax to the National, making a matter of \$80 or more expense.

6. I am sorry to note quite a number suspended over the Department since last quarter. My Aides will be in the line of duty if they make special effort to get our suspended members back.

7. I would acknowledge the receipt of General Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic, both National and Department, also Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid Auxiliary to the Sons of Veterans; and from many of the State Departments, General Orders and Journals. They are read and enjoyed, and makes a personal interest between these Patriotic Orders. Our flag and country have a loyal body-guard in the true hearts represented in this work.

8. All corps receiving Department Journals will please acknowledge same to Department Secretary, as it is important that we are advised of their receipt. Any one who may desire a few more copies can be furnished by sending postage.

9. We wish all corps who can to subscribe for a magazine or paper to send to the S. and S. Home direct from publisher; that there may be less chance of duplicates, I appoint Department J. V. Effie V. B. Aldrich, of Monte Vista, to look after this matter,

and all corps can address her as to what is needed. Already several of the corps are sending them. There can be sent standard works and new books by new authors for their library. The State supplies the inner-man with all desirable, but fresh literature and pictures for the library and buildings are meagre.

10. Maj. Anderson Corps No. 46, Harris, has been disbanded by order of the Post. As much as the President regrets this, there was nothing else to do, and I hope it will prove the right thing

11. The National password accompanies this General Order.

12. I regret to announce the death of two of our members since last General Order, Mrs. Laura Edwards, of Golden, and Mrs. Emily Phillips, of Leadville.

By command of

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

OFFICIAL:

Department President.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, March 23, 1897.

GENERAL ORDERS, }
No. 6. }

I. The first General Order for 1897. Your President desires to thank the past officers of the Corps throughout this department for their loyal support, and the many kindnesses received at their hands on my visit over the Department.

II. To the new officers I extend greeting, and hope the time we may work together will be profitable and pleasant to us all.

III. I would ask for myself and my successor that you, as Officers and Corps members, give the study of Rules and Regula-

tions your earnest attention. When Corps Officers understand their work it makes it so much more pleasant at Department Headquarters.

IV. Presidents, see to it that your quarterly reports of secretary and treasurer agree and that they reach us on time, not later than the fifth of the month. Look reports over carefully, read instructions and rules and regulations, and this last quarter let there be no delinquent Corps or incorrect reports. Again all money orders, drafts or postal orders for per capita must be made to Clara Rapp, Treasurer, and sent with Quarterly Reports to Marion Sutton, Secretary, at Room 42, Bank Building, Colorado Springs.

V. All Corps Presidents will give attention to the National General Order, No. 6 and the Circular Letter from Board of Managers of the Andersonville Prison property. While Colorado and Wyoming Department made no pledge at the Convention, we know this Department will not be the least to help. All monies for this fund are to be sent to Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, No. 1551 Gray street, Denver, Colo.

VI. SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' HOME FOR COLORADO AND WYOMING.

Commander French of Colorado Home requests me to say to those sending donations to the home to place in all boxes or packages a list of contents and the name of the donor, or No. of Corps, and to send him a letter when such donations are shipped as no credit can be given without such knowledge. Comrade Harbottle, President of the commission, desires that no obsolete books or magazines be sent, as they are not useful, and the room is limited. Only fresh, current magazines and papers, and standard and new books for the library are desired. All packages must be prepaid by parties sending them. Chairs, cushions, rugs, warm slippers, dressing gowns and comforts for the Hospital are always needed at the home.

Supplies sent for Christmas are:

U. S. Grant Corps, No. 15, pillows,	\$ 4
Winfield Scott Corps; No. 19, dressing gowns,	5
Battle Mountain Corps, No. 29, dressing gowns,	10
Battle Mountain Corps No. 29, library,	5

Upton Corps, No. 2, chair cushions, 6
 Joe Hooker Corps, No. 43, cushions and supplies for Hospital, with many kindnesses extended, as only a Corps at Monte Vista can when made up of such Loyal Women as constitutes the Joe Hooker Corps.

Veteran Corps, No. 14, library,	\$10
W. T. Sherman Corps, No. 24, library,	3
Maj. Anderson Corps, No. 46, library,	5
George Washington Corps, No. 42, library,	3.08
M. M. Crocker Corps, No. 40, library,	4
T. H. Dodd Corps, No. 5, library,	5
Grand Junction Corps, No. 17, library,	2
Reno Corps, No. 21, library,	5
Farragut Corps, No. 1, library,	3
Sedgwick Corps, No. 3, library,	5
Casper W. Collins Corps to Wyoming Home, No. 13,	5

VII. Department Aides are all expected to report the conditions of their Corps, as to numbers, suspended members, and general work of Corps to Chief Aide, Lettie Capell, No. 317 North El Paso street, Colorado Springs, Colo.

VIII. The gummed correction slips for Rituals, ordered by the Fourteenth National Convention, are now ready. Corps Presidents may obtain the same of the Department Treasurer without expense. These corrections only apply to the 1896 edition.

IX. Corps Chaplains will please forward the names of all deceased members to Olive Bacon, Chaplain, Aspen, Colo., in order that they may be included in the Report of Department Chaplain for the Convention. Do not neglect this but send at once.

X. All officers of this Department and Chairman of Committees who have reports to make at Department Convention, will greatly oblige the President if they will send them to Headquarters not later than April 25th for her inspection.

XI. ROLL OF HONOR.

Every Corps but one in this Department was on our Roll of Honor.

XII. All Past Corps Presidents of this Department are delegates to the Department Convention if they are members in good standing.

XIII. The Treasurer has now on hand blanks for the use of Corps Treasurers, which are much better to keep on file than those made by Corps Treasurer. The Department sent each Corps Treasurer a sample copy so they might send for them.

XIV. General Orders, both National and Department, are for the help and instruction of Corps. Study them carefully. The work of your officers is much better if Corps are exact as to their duties. Like a regiment of soldiers, each must do his work the best he can, if we hope to become a well organized body. The least officer in the ranks expects to know and do his duty, and in the knowledge of and obedience to Rules and Regulations is the foundation on which the whole structure of Our W. R. C. work is builded and every member should try and understand the work and, unless she can give time and attention, no member should accept an Office at the hands of her Corps.

XV. PATRIOTIC TEACHING.

Mrs. Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo., Chairman of the Department Committee on Patriotic Teaching expects a report from every Corps in the Department to be in her hands at least three (3) weeks before Department Convention. Corps Presidents will please see that she is not disappointed.

Any suggestions concerning the work can be obtained by applying to Mrs. Adda Ulen, Laramie, Wyo., Chairman Committee on Patriotic Teaching.

XVI. To the S. and S. Home Legislative Committee are added the following names: Mrs. Fannie D. Hardin, Denver; Mrs. Emma Johnson, Denver.

XVII. Andersonville Prison Fund:

McPherson Corps, No. 32,	\$ 2 50
Grand Junction Corps, No. 17,	2 35
George H. Thomas Corps, No. 26,	1 30
Joe Hooker Corps, No. 43,	2 00

Veteran Corps, No. 14,	3 90
James A. Garfield Corps, No. 8,	10 00
Nathaniel Lyons Corps, No. 27,	5 00

XVIII. Kit Carson Corps of Lamar, disbanded December 30, 1896. This is the Corps that had their Hall burned and they felt it a useless struggle to keep up their organization longer.

XIX. Mrs. Effie V..B. Aldrich, Junior Vice President, organized a new Corps, Jim Bowie, No. 30, with 18 members, at Creede, February 25, 1897. May they be a great help to our Department. We all extend a hearty welcome to them and congratulate the Post.

XX. The Department Secretary desires to express her appreciation of the many expressions of sympathy extended by so many of our W. R. C. in her recent sorrow.

XXI. Many thanks to the Grand Army, Sons of Veterans and Ladies Aid for their General Orders, all of which were appreciated and I hope they will not forget me when I am among the "has beens." Also to the many Department Presidents whom I have learned to know through their work with me during the past year, I send greetings for the last time, and would be glad to meet them at our Convention for this Department on the 11th, 12th and 13th of May, 1897.

XXII. Should I have omitted to mention any contribution in this General Order please let me know and I will remember it in my next.

XXIII. To all the members of the W. R. C. in this Department Colorado Springs extends a cordial invitation to be with us at the Convention, May 11, 12 and 13. A Circular Letter will be issued giving details of the encampment.

By Command of

OFFICIAL.	ELLA L. C. DWINELL,
MARION SUTTON,	Department President.
	Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
 WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
 AUXILIARY TO THE GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC, }
 ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, August 15th, 1896.

Circular Letter, {
 No. 1. }

I. The official train for this Department to the 30th National Encampment at St. Paul, Minn., will leave Denver at 10:30 p. m., August 30th, over the U. P. and N. W. systems, via Council Bluffs and Sioux City, arriving in St. Paul at 7:40 a. m., September 1st. The fare for the round trip from the various points in this Department is as follows:

II. From Denver, Colorado Springs, Pueblo, Littleton, Manitou, Monument, Golden, Idaho Springs, Georgetown, Central City, Castle Rock, Boulder, Longmont, Loveland, Fort Collins, Greeley, Platteville and Evans, \$25.00; from Aspen, Delta, Evans-ton, Glenwood, Grand Junction, Montrose, New Castle, (Colo.) and Rock Springs, \$37.00; Breckenridge, \$30.90; Buena Vista, \$31.00; Durango, \$44.10; Canon City and Laramie, \$27.00; Cheyenne, \$24.15; Creede, \$36.45; Gunnison, \$33.95; Lake City, \$37.65; Leadville, \$33; Monte Vista, \$33.35; Rawlins, \$33.80; Red Cliff, \$34.65; Rico, \$43.15; Salida, \$29.50; Telluride, \$41.90; Trinidad, \$29.40; Walsenburg, \$27.95.

III. Sleeping car fare, \$6.00 each way. Tickets will be on sale August 30th and 31st good for 15 days. An extension of 15 days may be obtained by depositing tickets with the joint agent at St. Paul before September 15th.

IV. Through sleepers and a Scarlett seat or reclining chair car will be run from Denver. A dining car will serve meals on the European plan. Gen. Geo. Ady, Past Department Commander, will be in charge of the train.

V. All representatives of this Department will assemble at Headquarters at Hotel Ryan at 8 p. m., September 1st, to receive badges and final orders.

VI. All persons intending to make the trip should notify the Department Secretary not later than August 25th.

VII. Presidents of Corps receiving this letter are requested to have the above published in their local papers as an item of news.

VIII. All members of the National who are going will please notify Headquarters so we may make arrangements for the trip.

By command of

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

OFFICIAL :

Department President.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

Circular Letter }
No. 2. } HEADQUARTERS OF DEPARTMENT OF
COLORADO AND WYOMING,
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, AUXILIARY TO THE
GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC.

CRIPPLE CREEK, August 15, 1896.

I. In accordance with Rules and Regulations there will be a thorough inspection of each Corps in this Department during the months of September, October and November. That the best results may be obtained Corps officers are requested to give this work their careful attention.

II. Ella L. C. Dwinell, Department President, and Marion Sutton, Department Secretary, will assist in the inspection. Assignment of Corps will be made in a subsequent order.

III. Corps Presidents shall arrange dates with the Inspector or Assistant Inspector, and comply cheerfully with requests for special meetings, when necessary, as it is simply impossible, unless great expense is incurred, to always use regular dates. They should also see that notice is properly sent to each member of the date of Inspector's visit, that a full attendance may be secured. It is expected that all officers will be present and fill their respective stations.

IV. Corps Presidents on receipt of Inspection blanks will at once confer with their Secretary and Treasurer, ascertain the number of meetings in the year, make out all averages, determine the amount and value of all relief extended from September 1st, 1895, to September 1st, 1896. In short be prepared in advance to answer all the questions on the Inspector's blank, thereby saving to that officer, much time, to themselves great vexation and assisting the order to greater accuracy in its work.

V. Corps will be required to exemplify the entire work according to the Ritual and instructions will be kindly given by the Inspector whenever found necessary. Let ample time be taken for thorough inspection, and, if possible arrange that the Secretary's and Treasurer's books may be examined before the meeting, as this work requires time and attention. Carefully note the following points which will tend greatly to the perfection of the work.

BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE SECRETARY.

1. See that the records are properly kept and all reports and communications neatly filed.
2. That the attendance of officers and members be kept separately and noted on the margin of the Journal.
3. That General Orders are read to the Corps and placed on file.
4. That all requirements pertaining to the receiving and filing of applications be strictly adhered to.
5. That the stubs of order books are properly filled out and numbered.

BOOKS OF THE TREASURER.

1. See that a proper account of receipts and expenditures are kept, and that the Relief Fund is separate from the General Fund.
2. That the stubs of the receipt book are filled out, numbered and that they compare with the entries in the cash book.
3. That a ledger page is assigned each member and a correct account kept with them.

4. That all bills are numbered and filed with the orders with which they should compare.

5. That a report of the Treasurer is read at each regular meeting and filed with the Secretary.

By order of

ALICE M. SEEDS,

Department Inspector.

Approved by

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

Department President.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
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COLORADO SPRINGS, November 14, 1896.

Special Order }
No. 1. }

1. The annual election of officers will take place the first meeting in December, also the election of delegates to the Thirteenth Annual Convention. See Rules and Regulations, Chapter 2, Article 2, and Article 7 of Chapter 2 must be read before election of officers.

2. The newly elected officers will elect their installing officers and if she be a Past or Present President of a Relief Corps of this Department, the Department Secretary has only to notify, no detail being necessary; decision of the Thirteenth National.

3. Installation of officers will take place at the first meeting in January, on or at a special meeting called for that purpose.

4. Installing officers will forward their reports, one to the Department Secretary and one to the Department I. and I. officer, Mrs. Sarah Waldo, 1007 Arlington street, Denver, Colo. Installing Officers will be careful as to the spelling of names of new of-

ficers and give No. and street of Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Chaplains in cities and towns, as the Roster is made up from these reports for the Convention.

5. Corps Presidents not receiving Election Blanks, Treasurer's Bond and Quarterly Reports before December 1st will please notify the Department Secretary.

6. This last quarter of the year, will Corps Presidents see that Quarterly Reports are filled out and sent at last meeting in quarter, or before December 1st. As you will note we had several delinquent reports and the Department must not be delinquent to accommodate Corps. This is important and I hope Corps Presidents will attend to this.

7. Roll of Honor for the Third Quarter ending Sept. 30th :

Farragut No. 1,	Reno No. 21,
Upton No. 2,	J. W. Anderson No. 23,
Sedgwick No. 3,	W. T. Sherman No. 24,
Colorado Springs No. 4,	Pfeiffer No. 25,
T. H. Dodd No. 5,	George H. Thomas No. 26,
George G. Meade No. 6,	Nathaniel Lyon No. 27,
James A. Garfield No. 8,	Battle Mountain No. 29,
J. F. Reynolds No. 9,	Kit Carson No. 31,
General Shields No. 10,	McPherson No. 32,
Hotchkiss No. 11,	Kilpatrick No. 34,
Gunnison No. 12,	Akron No. 36,
Casper W. Collins No. 13,	E. M. Stanton No. 37,
Veteran No. 14,	Pike's Peak No. 39,
U. S. Grant No. 15,	M. M. Crocker No. 40,
Grand Junction No. 17,	Phil Sheridan No. 41,
R. H. Cameron No. 18,	George Washington No. 42,
Winfield Scott No. 19,	Joe Hooker No. 43,
Custer No. 20,	Holyoke No. 44,
	John C. Fremont No. 45.

8. The glad days of the year are at hand. With Thanksgiving and the Christmas days, many of us look forward to joyous meetings and happy hours with our loved ones. Many of us are far from the old homes and look back to the gatherings there and

know that we are missed. Many more that gathered in joy a year ago, will set down in sadness in these coming days. Let our hearts go out in thanks for our many blessings and mercies and that grace and peace may come to the sad ones of earth, and good will to all mankind; and to those who have only a memory left of those days let us reach out a hand of cheer. Especially to our State Homes for Soldiers, we can send some token of our remembrance. Most of the Comrades in these Homes have no families and we can do many things that will give them pleasure. Any Corps that know of a Comrade there, send him something that he may know he is not forgotten in the community where he has lived; and do not forget the dependent ones in our midst. It takes so little to continue a feeling of happiness it seems really a pity we should so easily neglect this pleasant duty.

9. All donations sent, of whatever description, should be reported to the Corps and the Department. All money should be sent first to Clara Rapp, Department Treasurer, No. 1515 Gray street, Denver, and she will forward it to Committees appointed to this work. If not reported to Department there can be no credit given to Relief Corps.

By command of

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

OFFICIAL: Department President.

MARION SUTTON,

Department Secretary.

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF COLORADO AND WYOMING, }
WOMAN'S RELIEF CORPS, }
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ROOM 42, FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING.

COLORADO SPRINGS, April 20th, 1897.

Special Order {
No. 2. }

I. The Thirteenth Department Convention will be held at Colorado Springs on May 11, 12 and 13. Headquarters will be

established at the Alamo the 11th. At 2 p. m. the council will meet at headquarters, Alamo Hotel, to transact such business as may come before it. The annual parade will be formed at 4 p. m. of the 11th. The annual conventions of the G. A. R., Ladies of the G. A. R., S. of V. and Ladies' Aid will be held in Colorado Springs on the same dates. Rates for the Encampment at hotels and boarding houses are :

Antlers, \$2.50 per diem and upwards ;
 Alamo, \$2.00 per diem and upwards for single persons ;
 \$1.75 each per couple ;
 Elk, \$1.50 to \$2.00 per diem ;
 Spaulding, \$1.25 to \$1.50 per diem ;
 Rooms, from 50c. to \$1.00 per diem ;
 Meals at restaurants 15c. per meal and upwards.

II. The Treasurer's books will close May 1. Requisition for supplies will be forwarded before the above date in order to allow time for audit of same. I desire the attendance of Auditing Committee on May 10, at 2 p. m., Room 42, Bank Building.

III. All officers and committees for convention will be read at the opening of convention, the morning of May 12, at 9 a. m. Camp fires the evenings of May 11 and 12 at Temple Theater.

IV. The official train with Department Commander and staff will leave Denver at 10 a. m., May 11, over the Gulf road. Special accommodations will be provided. The rate of one fare for round trip is made over all roads in the Department. Tickets will be sold to arrive in Colorado Springs May 11 and 12 and good returning until the 14th.

V. There will be in waiting at the depot a committee to look after delegates attending convention on the 11th. At headquarters will be found committee to obtain rooms for all delegates attending convention. Street cars at all depots for Headquarters and Convention Halls.

VI. Our Department Commander has issued the following, which all the corps will take note of :

"The National Commander has decided, that as Memorial,

Day falls on Sunday, Memorial services should be held on Saturday, the 29th. In this connection it is suggested that the lateness of the Encampment will make it impossible for the incoming Commander to promulgate his Memorial order in time to reach many Posts before their last meeting in May, hence the Department Commander commends all Posts in the department to adhere to the established custom and attend divine service on the Sabbath preceding Memorial Day, and it is urged that the pastors of all churches in this Department be requested to prepare some special patriotic service for May 23. All bodies auxiliary to our order should be invited to attend such service."

VII. Enclosed with this is Memorial Order No. 7. National Corps please note what is requested as to funds for decoration of Southern graves. Also with this is an order from Secretary of National Council of Women, which please read carefully and all Corps try and help keep the W. R. C. represented in the National Council of Women, as it is of much importance to us to belong to this great body of representative organizations. Detach the lower part of this order, filling it out with amount sent to the Department Treasurer, Clara Rapp, 1551 Gray street, Denver; the blank send to the address contained within it. All Corps who have not returned the slips sent with last general order, will please see to it at once, as they are to be sent to Department Secretary, Marion Sutton, Colorado Springs.

By Command of

OFFICIAL.

ELLA L. C. DWINELL,

MARION SUTTON,

Department President.

Department Secretary.

In Memoriam.

We have been called upon to mourn the loss of seven of our most faithful members.

MARY E. BARTLETT,

S. V. President of Custer Corps No. 20, has been called home.

"Gone home! Gone home!
The Door through which she vanished
Closed with a jar, and left us here alone.
We stand without in tears, forlorn and banished,
Where our loved one is gone."

MRS. ALICE HARDISTY,

of James A. Garfield Corps No. 8, passed to her rest May 27th, leaving a husband and daughter to mourn her loss. She was a Past President of Winfield Scott Corps, Aspen, Colo.

"Deeply do we mourn our sister,
And in sorrow sadly weep
On that form we loved so dearly,
Locked in death's last silent sleep;
But her spirit free and sinless,
Living on through death and blight,
Has now entered joys immortal,
Wearing robes of spotless white."

SARA M. POWERS,

of John C. Fremont Corps, Littleton, died April 23, 1896.

MRS. SARAH C. MINK,

Past National President.

MRS. LAURA EDWARDS,

of T. H. Dodd Corps, Golden, Colorado, drowned in the flood in July. At the point where the gulch debouches through a narrow passage in Clark's Garden Addition, water-marks show that the body of water must have been fully thirty feet deep. At this point stood the residence of Alderman J. F. Edwards, and the relentless flood swept from home and loved ones Mrs. Edwards, who was in the yard as the water approached and was unable to reach a place of safety before she was hurled to death. Her body was recovered the next morning a thousand yards below and fifty yards from the line of gulch. Mrs. Edwards possessed one of those bright, sunny natures which helps to drive away the shadows and bring sunshine to one so fortunate as to be classed among her friends.

We are again called upon to record the death of one of the Jas. A. Garfield Corps members,

MRS. ELIZA MITCHEL,

Died November 26, 1896.

MRS. EMILY PHILLIPS,

of James A. Garfield Corps, Leadville, Oct. 6, 1896.

"Peaceful be thy silent slumbers,
Peaceful in thy grave so low;
Thou no more will join our number,
Thou no more our songs will know.
Yet again we hope to meet thee,
When the day of life is fled;
And in Heaven with joy to greet thee,
Where no farewell tears are shed."

Gone from storm into sunshine; gone from darkness into light.

The sympathy of the Department is extended to the friends of these dear sisters and to the Corps of which they were members.

UNOFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS.

Headquarters for the 13th Annual Convention of the Department of Colorado and Wyoming were established at the Alamo hotel, where the G. A. R. and W. R. C. met and counseled together and enjoyed renewing old friendships, and welcoming the new friends. The hotel service was ample and the days of the Convention were pleasant and they will long be remembered with pleasure by many of us.

The last Council meeting of the year took place at the Headquarters on Tuesday the 11th at 2 o'clock p. m. Most of the Department officers were present. The work of the year was reviewed and closed. We were all grateful to the Corps in the Department for the many courtesies extended to each of us. In the afternoon the Grand Army had their annual parade. Owing to the rain it was not as comfortable as it would have otherwise been, but the city officials did their best to keep the streets in good condition for the march. The turnout was good and the people of Colorado Springs forgot the weather and turned out to greet the "Old Veterans."

On Thursday evening the Camp Fire of the Grand Army was held at Temple Theater, which was packed to its fullest capacity. The evening was passed in speeches by the comrades. Music by the band and the orchestra.

The addresses of welcome were by Mayor Irvine and President W. F. Slocum, of Colorado College. Response by Commander H. O. Dodge, of the G. A. R. One of the best numbers on the program was the Flag Drill and March, led by Miss Holcomb, of our public schools, showing that Colorado Springs was alive to the importance of teaching patriotism in our schools. Gov. Adams gave us a most eloquent address which made a warm place for him in the hearts of the old soldier.

On Wednesday the Convention of the various orders of the G. A. R. opened for business, with its usual round of courtesies to kindred organizations. The usual amount of "taffy" was distributed and enjoyed as in our younger days and as the kind indulged in has no bad effect on our digestion, we are never any the worse for the over-indulgence of the article. We found that Colorado Springs had one thing that deterred her from having a successful Convention. The attractions in and about our beautiful city are so great that it is impossible to hold any Convention down to hard work, and as the Post of Colorado Springs invited the various conventions on a trip to Cheyenne Canons, the afternoon session of Wednesday adjourned for a good time.

On the evening of the 12th there was a reception to all the Orders from the Relief Corps, and consisted of short talks, music, and recitations, by the different organizations.

The address of welcome was by Colorado Springs Corps President, Mrs. Irene DeToliver. Comrade Holbrook read us an interesting paper. The recently elected Commander of the Sons of Veterans, Captain Thomas, gave a stirring address for the Sons and their auxiliary, the Ladies' Aid. Mary Jewett Telford, on the "Army Nurse," spoke as only one can who has had the real experience, and was listened to as this Veteran worker of the W. R. C. always is, with pleasure.

Among the very interesting features of the program were selections by the pupils of our State School for the Education of the Deaf and Blind, and we may well be proud of the rank this school takes among the schools of our country.

Thursday was a busy day, and we all worked hard to finish up the work of the Convention. Thursday evening the newly elected officers of the Conventions held a joint Installation at Temple Theater after which each one packed his or her grip and bled themselves home, having enjoyed to the utmost the 13th Annual Convention of the G. A. R. and W. R. C. Department of Colorado and Wyoming.

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